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Thu 0530	WRMI	9955
Fri 0000	WBCQ	5110-CUSB Area 51 [irregular] [new day and time]
Fri 0100	WRMI	9955
Fri 1130	WRMI	9955
Fri 2030	IPAR/IRRS/NEXUS/IBA	7290 [1930 from April]
Fri 2030	WWCR1	15825 [or 2029]
Sat 0800	WRMI	9955
Sat 0800	IPAR/IRRS/NEXUS/IBA	9510 [except first Sat, and March 28]
Sat 1530	WRMI	9955 [March only]
Sat 1630	WWCR3	12160
Sun 0230	WWCR3	5070
Sun 0630	WWCR1	3215
Sun 0800	WRMI	9955
Sun 1515	WRMI	9955
Mon 0500	WRMI	9955
Mon 2200	WBCQ	7415
Tue 1100	WRMI	9955
Tue 1530	WRMI	9955
Wed 0500	WRMI	9955 [or new 1454]
Wed 1530	WRMI	9955 [or new 1454]

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** ALBANIA. Summer A-09 schedule of Radio Tirana

ALBANIAN Daily

0630-0800 on 1458 FLA 500 kW / 338 deg to WeEu
0630-0800 on 7390 SHI 100 kW / non-dir to WeEu
0801-0900 on 1395 FLA 500 kW / 033 deg to WeEu
0801-0900 on 7390 SHI 100 kW / non-dir to WeEu
1400-1530 on 1458 FLA 500 kW / non-dir to WeEu
2030-2200 on 6165 SHI 100 kW / non-dir to WeEu
2030-2200 on 9345 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to WeEu
2300-0030 on 7425 SHI 100 kW / 300 deg to NoAm
2300-0030 on 9345 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm

ENGLISH Tue-Sun

0030-0045 on 9345 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm
0145-0200 on 7425 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm
0230-0300 on 7425 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm
0330-0400 on 7425 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm

ENGLISH Mon-Sat

1430-1500 on 13625 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm
1845-1900 on 7430 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to U.K.
1845-1900 on 13640 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm
2000-2030 on 7465 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to U.K.
2000-2030 on 13640 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm

GERMAN Mon-Sat

1805-1835 on 1458 FLA 500 kW / 338 deg to Germany
1931-2000 on 7465 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to Germany

GREEK Mon-Sat

1545-1600 on 1458 FLA 500 kW / non-dir to Greece

FRENCH Mon-Sat

1730-1800 on 7430 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to France
1901-1930 on 7465 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to France

ITALIAN Mon-Sat

1800-1830 on 7430 SHI 100 kW / 310 deg to Italy
 1901-1930 on 7430 SHI 100 kW / 300 deg to Italy
 SERBIAN Mon-Sat
 1800-1815 on 6145 SHI 100 kW / non-dir to Serbia
 2015-2030 on 1458 FLA 500 kW / 004 deg to Serbia
 TURKISH Mon-Sat
 1530-1545 on 1458 FLA 500 kW / non-dir to Turkey
 (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, March 24 via DXLD)

** ALGERIA [non]. FRANCE/ALGERIA. Summer A-09 of RTAlgeria Holy Qur'an in Arabic via TDF

0400-0457 5865 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg to CeEaAf till May 2 & from Sep 6
 0400-0457 7295 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg to CeEaAf from May 3 till Sep 5
 0500-0557 5865 ISS 500 kW / 194 deg to NoWeAf till May 2 & from Sep 6
 0500-0557 7295 ISS 500 kW / 194 deg to NoWeAf from May 3 till Sep 5
 0500-0557 7295 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg to CeEaAf till May 2 & from Sep 6
 0500-0557 9535 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg to CeEaAf from May 3 till Sep 5
 0600-0657 7295 ISS 500 kW / 194 deg to NoWeAf till May 2 & from Sep 6
 0600-0657 9535 ISS 500 kW / 194 deg to NoWeAf from May 3 till Sep 5

1800-1857 11775 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg to CeEaAf
 1900-1957 9375 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg to CeEaAf till May 2 & from Sep 6
 1900-1957 11775 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg to CeEaAf from May 3 till Sep 5
 2000-2057 7495 ISS 500 kW / 194 deg to NoWeAf till May 2 & from Sep 6
 2000-2057 9375 ISS 500 kW / 194 deg to NoWeAf from May 3 till Sep 5
 2100-2157 7495 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg to CeEaAf
 2100-2257 5875 ISS 500 kW / 194 deg to NoWeAf
 (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, March 24 via DXLD)

** ARMENIA [non]. BRASIL ñ J. que a Rádio P'blica da Arménia deixou de transmitir sua programaÁ,,o em espanhol nas ondas curtas diretamente de Yerevan, uma boa dica para acompanhar notícias daquele país asiático, bem como m'sicas folclóricas, É sintonizar o programa Arménia Eterna, transmitido nas noites de domingos, às 21h, pela Rádio Mundial, de São Paulo (SP), pela frequência de 3325 kHz, em 90 metros. A apresentaÁ,,o É de Sakatex J'nior. O programa também pode ser ouvido na Internet. Mais informaÁ,es em <http://www.armeniaeterna.com.br> (CÉlio Romais, Panorama, @tividade DX March 22 via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA [and non]. /GERMANY/UZBEKISTAN CVC Australia A09 via DRW = Darwin:

Chinese to China
 2200-0200 on 15170 DRW 250 kW/340 deg
 0400-1000 on 17830 DRW 250 kW/340 deg
 0630-0900 on 17660 DRW (DRM) /340 deg 100 kW
 1000-1400 on 13660 DRW 250 kW/340 deg

1400-1600 on 11640 DRW 250 kW/340 deg

English to India

0930-1130 on 15555 DRW 250 kW/303 deg

1130-1500 on 13635 DRW 250 kW/303 deg

1500-1600 on 11730 DRW 250 kW/303 deg

1600-1730 on 9680 DRW 250 kW/303 deg

Indonesian to Indonesia

2300-0200 on 15250 DRW 250 kW/290 deg

0400-1000 on 17820 DRW 250 kW/290 deg

1000-1300 on 9670 DRW 250 kW/290 deg

1300-1700 on 6110 DRW 250 kW/290 deg

Updated 16 Mar, 2009 (Alokesh Gupta-IND, via wwdxc Mar 20)

English? 6260 0000-0400 and 1400-2000 UT, 9660 1100-1400 UT, 9975 0100-0400 UT, 11790 0100-0300 UT, 11800 0030-0330 UT, 13630 0400-1100 UT, 13680 0300-0600 UT, 15515 0300-0900 UT, 15555 0330-0930 UT via Tashkent-UZB site.

Russian 11770 1200-1600 UT, 11945 1800-2000 UT, 13640 1600-1800 UT, English 17770 1400-2100 UT to ME/NE/EaAF via Juelich Germany site (Wolfgang B,schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 6230 usb, VMW, Wiluna WA, 2235-2240*, 07 Mar, coastal weather reports; 33432, BC QRM. Check this:
http://www.bom.gov.au/marine/voice_services.shtml
(Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4409.8, R. Eco, Reyes, 2327-2334, 21 Mar, Indian tunes; 25341.

4451, R. Santa Ana, St™ Ana del Yacuma, 2325-2335, 21 Mar, Castilian, messages; 25341 (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4451.2v, Radio Santa Ana, Santa Ana de Yacuma 0030 to 0100 20 March under English voice ute.

3309.98, R Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba, 1010 23 March with strong signal, indigenous music (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, Florida, Drake R8 ~ NRD 535D, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. These are some initial loggings from an overnight Perseus SDR recording spanning 4600-6200 kHz made from 0245 to 1220 UT, antenna used is a Wellbrook ALA100. These almost 10 hours worth of recordings take up 257 GB drive space.

4825.986, R Educadora, BraganÁa PA, Mar 24, *0840-1000 - Transmitter turned on at 0830 with OC until very brief s/on announcement by man at 0840. I heard a clear Educadora mention but due to CODAR and static, I couldn't make out much more. Immediately into inspirational type music, then short religious talk with man and woman from 0900 then back to music. No dawn at transmitter enhancement noted around 0947 sunrise. Transmitter stable. Another weak station noted on 4824.96 all night, possibly R. CanÁao Nova, strengthening from 0800 but never strong enough to bother Educadora. CODAR throughout.

4885.012, R Clube do Par., Belem PA, Mar 24, 0245-1000 - decent signal from tune-in, Portuguese talk until 0400 then mainly musical content, ballads, popular music, many "Clube do Par." ID's and a few full IDs for ondas mÉdias and onda tropical frequencies. Overnight "Madrugada" music program from 0600 with lively pop songs with male announcer between songs with Madrugada slogans, and a few 5 minute periods of no modulation. Music continued throughout the morning, with signal slowly degrading from 0800. Absolutely no sign of dawn at the transmitter enhancement around 0916 sunrise, transmitter rather stable and drifting up only 3 Hz by 1000 UT. Very weak carrier on 4884.906 from 0900, possibly Radiodifusora Acreana?

4914.958, R. Difusora, Macap., AC, Mar 24, 0245-fade-out - Initially poor signal, CODAR not too bad, male announcer between mainly pop music. Initially much weaker co-channel signal under Macap., perhaps R CBN Ananguera, but not causing much problems and gone after 0500. Much improved by 0400 with Radio Difusora de Macap. ID, telephone number, talk, bassy somewhat muffled audio, more music. Probable R CBN Ananguera was back at 0857 on 4915.023 and drifting down to 4915.015 by carrier fade-out at 1030 UT (Brandon Jordan - Memphis, TN, USA, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also GUATEMALA; MEXICO

** BRAZIL. 4876.70, tentative, drifting - R·dio Difusora Roraima, Boa Vista, seems to be on, very weak in Portuguese, noted several days drifting signal! [no time] March 23 (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, Florida, Drake R8 ~ NRD 535D, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 9581.6, R. Globo, Rio de Janf RJ, 2220-2231, 21 Mar, IPDA (religious propaganda) shouting preacher; 23431.

9645.3, R. Bandeirantes, S,,o Paulo SP, 2223-2245, 21 Mar, football match report. Palmeiras vs. Guar.; 33442, adjacent QRM.

9818.9, R. 9 de Julho, S,,o Paulo SP, 1947-2024, 21 Mar, mass, songs; 44433, adjacent QRM till 2000.

11915.1, R. Ga'cha, Ptj Alegre RS, 1930-1952, 21 Mar, football match rerpot. Novo Hamburgo vs. Inter, ads; 35444.

11925.2, R. Bandeirantes, S, Paulo SP, 2225-2245, 21 Mar, football match report. Palmeiras vs. Guar, ads; 35444. 11925.2 ditto, 1156-1339, 22 Mar, interview about a local marathon race, news in progress at 1330; 14431 (Carlos Gonçalves, Portugal, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Many more Brazilian logs from Carlos in dxldyg

** BRAZIL. BRASIL ñ Ao que tudo indica, a frequência de 9820 kHz da R,dio 9 de Julho, de S, Paulo SP, fica no ar 24 horas do dia. Na madrugada de 22 de março foi sintonizada, em Porto Alegre (RS), 730, no Tempo Universal, emitindo programa católico.

BRASIL ñ Est. no ar novamente a frequência de 9615 kHz, em 31 metros, da R,dio Cultura Brasil, de S, Paulo (SP). Foi captada, em Porto Alegre (RS), em 21 de março, por volta de 1430, no Tempo Universal, apresentando músicas brasileiras. O sinal estava um pouco distorcido.

BRASIL ñ A R,dio Congonhas, de Congonhas do Campo (MG), se identifica como iR,dio Congonhas, a emissora do Bom Jesus. Est. presente nas ondas curtas na frequência de 4775 kHz.

BRASIL ñ A R,dio Senado Ondas Curtas, de Brasília (DF), utiliza o programa obrigatório A Voz do Brasil para divulgar o seu trabalho. Uma vinheta de apresentação da emissora é veiculada também na TV Senado. A emissora est. no ar, de segundas a sextas-feiras, entre 6h e 20h. Nos sábados, emite entre 6h e 9h, sempre em 5990 kHz (Célio Romais, Panorama, @tividade DX March 22 via DXLD) see also ARMENIA [non]

** BURMA [non]. 9670, March 23 at 1333, disco music with heavy beat of 120 per minute, then talk in Burmese, so that's R. Free Asia via Tinian as scheduled at 1330-1400 only. It's preceded on 9670 by BBC Indonesian via Singapore and followed by VOA Tibetan via Thailand (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 6030, Calgary - CFVP relaying CKMX (AM 1060), 0425-0455, March 23 (Mon). Surprisingly good reception of the iencore performance of Barn Dance Saturday Night with Jimmy Hugh, playing C&W songs; many local ads; Mon. is the only day with no QRM. Have posted an audio file to ifile > Station Sounds at dxldyg (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÚn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. Brian Smith Obituary --- The following appears in today's (Saturday March 21) Toronto star:

SMITH, Brian William, E.M.C.A. - (Paramedic for 26 years with Toronto Emergency Medical Services) At York Central Hospital, Richmond Hill on Thursday, March 19, 2009, Brian Smith, Richmond Hill, in his 53rd year, beloved husband of Muriel Dalziel. Dear father of Mark and

Krista, Karen and Jim Lowe. Loving grandfather of Renee, William, Avery, and Morgan Lowe. Only son of the late Robert and Shirley Smith, formerly of Nobleton. A private family service will be held followed by cremation. For location and time of public memorial service, please call Egan Funeral Home, Bolton, 905-857-2213 or 1-800-853-1977. Condolences for the family may be offered at <http://www.eganfuneralhome.com> In lieu of flowers, please save a life by discussing organ and tissue donation with your family. For more information, contact Trillium Gift of Life, 1-800-263-2833 or <http://giftoflife.on.ca> "Good Night, Gentle Giant" (via Mark Coady, March 21, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CHAD. 6165, RD Nationale Tchadienne, Gredia, 2225-2231*, 20 Mar, French, announcements, national anthem at 2230; 45444, but a bit overmodulated. 6165 ditto, 1125-1505, 21 Mar, Vernacular, talks, news at 1500; 15341. They aren't using 4905 (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHILE. Re 9-025, CVC using only 3+ transmitters: When Chilean government sold that transmitter site to CVC, seven of eight transmitters were functioning only, the 8th Harris unit was used as spare parts 'donor'. AM 100 kW, DRM 15 kW (Wolfgang B,schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. FRANCE, 702, CRI via French site Col da la Madonne, 1134-, 22 Mar, French, talks, songs; the usual Chinese propaganda stuff; 35332 (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 1310-1320 3/23z. I'm hearing Firedrake (based on gh's loggings) on 8400 with another weak station underneath. On 9000 and 9300, it's all by itself. All three frequencies have 45534 signals, uncharacteristically low strengths for usually blowtorch-strength (and occasionally irritating) Chinese signals (Steven Zimmerman, Ulsan, South Korea, rx: FT-817 and 60m dipole on roof, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake on 8400 and 9000, March 23 around 1330 were fairly good, but noticeably weaker at 1415 check (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 9680, CNR-1, 1349-1353, March 23. Fair reception; heard with echo (they were operating more than one jamming transmitter and out of sync, causing echo); // 5030; several other stations under them with poor reception, one in Chinese (probably Taiwan, intended for the jamming) and perhaps the other was RRI Jakarta (which in the past I have heard and ID'ed them here before 1100), but impossible to tell. Taiwan scheduled here from 1100 to 1700, so expect to hear the CNR-1

echo during this time period (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non]. When you hear RHC blather about the '5 hÈroes' in US prisons for the n-th time, keep this in mind:

RADIO MARTI HIGHLIGHTS THE PLIGHT OF POLITICAL PRISONERS IN CUBA
[as published; who needs accents?]

Miami, Florida, March 23, 2009 - Radio Marti's special coverage of the sixth anniversary of "The Black Spring" included extensive interviews with political prisoners, their families and activists around the world about the plight of 75 dissidents arrested in Cuba in 2003.

"I will not ask for pity or clemency. I want to be free to go home and walk the streets a free man like we all have the right to do," independent journalist Juan Carlos Herrera Acosta told Radio Marti, speaking directly from jail where he is serving a 20-year sentence for "crimes against state security." He said his suffering has been unimaginable, but that he will always continue to defend the right to free speech. The most difficult thing he has had to endure while in prison, he said, was the death of his young daughter.

Coverage of events in Havana and numerous live interviews with The Ladies in White, relatives of political prisoners, vividly highlighted their ordeals of the past six years.

"We all have to be better mothers to our children because they don't understand why good people go to prison," said Magaly Broche, a member of Ladies in White.

Among those interviewed was Melba Santana, wife of Alfredo Dominguez Batista, who was sentenced to 14 years in prison and is an Amnesty International Prisoner of Conscience; Alida Viso Bello, wife of Ricardo Gonzalez Alfonso, winner of the Maria Moors Cabot Award given by the School of Journalism of Columbia University who was sentenced to 20 years in prison; Julia Nunez, wife of Adolfo Fernandez Sainz, prisoner of conscience who was sentenced to 14 years in prison; and Alejandrina Garcia de la Riva, whose husband Diosdado Marrero is serving a 25 year sentence. They gave poignant testimony about families being separated, the effect on their children and their quest to seek freedom for their husbands.

The Ladies in White are the recipients of numerous international awards including the European Parliament's Andrei Sakharov Award for Human Rights.

The special coverage online at martinoticias.com and on air included

interviews with: - acclaimed Cuban writer Zoe Valdez speaking from Switzerland about worldwide efforts to seek the release of political prisoners in Cuba; - Amnesty International's spokesperson Josefina Solomon spoke from London about the concern with the plight of prisoners on the island; - Carlos Lauria of the Committee to Protect Journalists in New York; - Rafael Jimenez Claudin, from Reporters Without Borders in Spain; and - Lucy Necasova of People in Need in the Czech Republic.

The Office of Cuba Broadcasting, which is funded by the U.S. government through the presidentially appointed Broadcasting Board of Governors, was established in 1990 to oversee the operations of Radio and TV Martí, which broadcast news and information to the people of Cuba (BBG press release March 24 via Clara Listensprechen, DXLD)

** CUBA [and non]. It's incredible how CRI gets the worst of the transmitters in Cuba for its relays, never up to decent modulation quality, and puts up with this year after year. Of course the units may have been provided as aid and/or run by Chinese techs. What a loss of face! March 23 at 1340 in English on 9570, only peaks of modulation were audible, and those were distorted. Wiggle something! Or get a refund (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CZECHIA [and non]. CZECH ICON VACLAV HAVEL TO CHAIR RADIO FREE EUROPE EDITORIAL MEETING | Text of report by Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL) website on 24 March

On Friday 27 March [US-backed] RFE/RL will complete another milestone in its venerable 60 year history. Former Czech president and human rights activist Vaclav Havel will chair the company's first editorial meeting in its new state-of-the-art broadcasting headquarters in Prague.

The first editorial meeting is a key step in relocating all of RFE/RL's more than 500 Prague-based employees to the new facility in Hagibor, 10 minutes from Prague's city centre. The five-storey, 236,000 sq ft building features the latest broadcast infrastructure and multimedia technology and adheres to highest standards in energy-efficiency and security.

At the invitation of then President Vaclav Havel, RFE/RL moved from Munich to Prague in 1995 and was based in the former Czechoslovak parliament building for almost 15 years.

The relocation to a new facility began in January 2009. In February, Radio Free Iraq was the first of RFE/RL's 18 language services to start broadcasting from its new studios.

On 13 March US NATO Ambassador Kurt Volker was the first official visitor to RFE/RL's new building. The move will be concluded in May when the former RFE/RL headquarters will be turned over to the National Museum of the Czech Republic. Source: Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty website, Washington, D.C., in English 24 Mar 09 (via BBCM via DXLD)

** ECUADOR. 3279.9, La Voz del Napo, Tena, 2318-2328, 21 Mar, Castilian, LA rhythms; 25331.

4824.4, La Voz de la Selva, Iquitos, 2244-2256, 20 Mar, Castilian, LA rhythms, advertisements; 33432, CODAR QRM (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EGYPT. R. Cairo tentative A-09 English, revised:
1215-1330 17870 As
1530-1600 15255 Eu [new? Another version says Albanian 1500-1600]
1600-1800 12170 EAf
1900-2030 11510 WAf
2115-2245 6255 Eu
2300-2430 11590 ENAm [as usual, some skeds from Cairo forget to specify this sesquihour as English rather than Arabic]
0200-0330 7540 NAM (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

** EGYPT. R. Cairo in A-09 season

6255 1500-2245 ABS 250 315 Ge, Fr, En [2115-2245]
6270 1600-1800 ABZ 250 90 Urdu
6290 1900-0700 ABS 250 315 Ar
6860 1700-1900 ABS 250 5 Turkish
6860 1900-2000 ABS 250 5 Russian
6860 2000-2200 ABZ 250 110 Ar
7540 0045-0330 ABZ 250 315 Sp, En [0200-0330]
9250 1500-1600 ABZ 250 50 Ozbaki
9250 1700-2300 ABZ 250 180 Ar
9250 2330-0045 ABS 250 241 Ar
9280 2030-2230 ABS 250 241 Fr
9360 2215-0200 ABZ 250 245 Port
9915 0045-0200 ABS 250 252 Sp
9990 1800-2100 ABS 250 241 Hausa
11510 1900-2030 ABZ 100 250 En
11540 1900-0030 ABZ 100 160 Ar
11590 2300-0430 ABZ 250 330 Ar [as usual they fail to specify English at 2300-2430 here! -gh]
12170 1430-1600 ABZ 250 70 Pashto
12170 1600-1800 ABZ 150 195 En
15080 1300-1600 ABS 250 241 Ar
15170 1015-1215 ABZ 250 90 Ar

15255 1500-1600 ABZ 250 330 Albanian
15285 1600-1900 ABZ 100 160 Somali
15710 1230-1400 ABS 250 106 Indonesian
15790 0700-1100 ABZ 100 250 Ar
15800 1330-1530 ABZ 100 70 Persian
17810 1530-1730 ABZ 100 170 Swahili
17870 1215-1330 ABZ 250 90 En

(Gordon Brown-UK, NWDXC Mar 19 via BC DX march 23 via DXLD)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA [and non]. 3/20/09 - Ludicrous Remarks from
Alamo's New Lawyer: ALAMO TOO OLD, TOO WEAK AND TOO BLIND TO HAVE SEX
WITH GIRLS --- Fox 16. March 20, 2009, AP Interview

Lawyer says Alamo couldn't do crimes

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) - Poor eyesight and a diminishing physique
would prevent Tony Alamo from crossing state lines and having sex with
underage girls, a new defense lawyer for the jailed evangelist said
Thursday.

In an interview with The Associated Press, California lawyer Danny
Davis also questioned how the 74-year-old could have had sex with
girls in showers and buses - allegations leveled against the
evangelist since his Sept. 25 arrest. Alamo faces a 10-count federal
indictment accusing him of transporting young girls across state lines
for sex.

If the sexual act is impossible, the intent may be highly doubtful,
Davis said. We're already looking at showers and buses where I feel
it would be physically impossible already. [much more . . .]
<http://www.tonyalamonews.com/880/32009-ludicrous-remarks-from-alamos-new-lawyer-alamo-too-old-too-weak-and-too-blind-to-have-sex-with-girls.php>
Alamo remains held without bond pending a May 18 trial (via DXLD)

He's still on WWCR, 15825, at 1350 check March 24 (gh, DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. Abu Dhabi Media QSL --- FRANCE: ABU DHABI MEDIA via
ISSOUDUN, 13790. From TDF, full-data, including transmitter site &
power with program indicated as ADM/DTK, French/English Alliss ñ
Rotatable antenna in Issoudun card in 15 weeks. Card has new address
written in: TDF ñ Radio Business Unit, Short-wave Department, 106,
Avenue Marx Dornoy, 92541 Montrouge Cedex, France. I'd about given
[up] on this one since my last QSL from TDF, for Radio Saa, arrived in
only 2 weeks (Wendel Craighead, Prairie Village, Kansas, USA Cumbredx
mailing list, via DXLD)

Hi Wendel, We were wondering what this was about when it first came to
light in December. Since you heard it, what was the programming about?

Were they using any other name than ADM? 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Maybe I'm wrong, but wasn't this discussed recently in DXLD and I recall in this case ADM abbreviation being for Ethiopia Adera Dimts Radio? (Jari Savolainen, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

DXLD 8-128 had this:

``UNIDENTIFIED. Re: What's "ADM", on air since November 5 on Wednesdays only, 1600-1657 on 13790, Issoudun 500 kW with beam 128 deg.? (Kai Ludwig, DXLD)

According to the HFCC registration, ADM stands for Abu Dhabi Media Company. Sounds like something worth checking out :-) (Andy Sennitt, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)``

And under Ethiopia [non], this, but the two were not connected in that issue, as the latter was a WTFK? item:

[http://nazret.com/blog/index.php?](http://nazret.com/blog/index.php?blog=15&title=ye_ethiopia_adera_dimtse_radio&more=1&c=1&tb=1&pb=1)

[blog=15&title=ye_ethiopia_adera_dimtse_radio&more=1&c=1&tb=1&pb=1](http://nazret.com/blog/index.php?blog=15&title=ye_ethiopia_adera_dimtse_radio&more=1&c=1&tb=1&pb=1)

Searching on Adera there are a number of other references, but not to the 13790 broadcast: In DXLD 9-012:

``ETHIOPIA [non]. Re 9-011, ``UNIDENTIFIED 11835, Ethiopian clandestine at 1710-1730 fade out, CLANDESTINE Sat Jan 24, UNID, via Nauen, Germany. Vernacular talk like a speech without audience, 1717 UT song from Horn of Africa, more talk 25332 (Anker Petersen-DEN, via Dario Monferini-ITA, playdx yg via dxld Jan 24 via BC-DX Feb 2 via DXLD)

According to DTK/M&B schedule: ADM Abu Dhabi Media Company.

Sats 1700-1758 UT only:

11835 1700-1758 47E,48 145degr 7-Sat 030109-280309 NAU 500 kW ADM (Wolfgang B,schel, BC-DX Feb 2 via DXLD)

Yes, but what is the program, the client, the language; another Ethiopian cland? (gh, DXLD)``

Hi Glenn, This mystery is solved by the recent WRTH update: it's Ethiopia Adera Dimts Radio!

<http://wrth.com/files/WRTHB08UpdateFEB2009.pdf>

Regards (Dave Kernick, Interval Signals Online, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

But that applies to the 11835 broadcast, not 13790. Looking again at the Feb WRTH update under Target: Ethiopia, there is no listing for a broadcast on 13790, but there are several others including 11835, site not given for Adera Dimts Radio; most of them are in the 1700 UT hour

on different days.

Wendel does not mention the date of his reception nor day of week either, so it's hard to sort out. Nor have I been able to locate any DX report from him of his original reception for this QSL (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

In B-08:

13790 Weds only at 1600-1700 UT to zones 47E,48 ISS 500 kW 128 degr

In A-09:

13820 Sats only at 1700-1759 UT to zones 47E,48 NAU 500 kW 140 degr [beware, on other days of the week the Ethiopian opposition radios ELF and EFD also on this channel...] (Wolfgang B,schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. Pirates: 6220, Mystery R (presumed), Italy (presumed), 1604-, 22 Mar, Italian accented English, pops, announcements explaining it was a R. Playback International relay; 45433.

6870, R. Playback International, Italy (presumed), 1605-, 22 Mar, cf. \\ Mystery (?) R on 6220; 35433- (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. Station in German on 3910 noted at 1820 March 23, 90% certain they identified at 1830 as HCJB and gave the frequency, fair signal here, weaker on the Global Tuners receiver in Cumbria which is unusual, relay via the Reflections Europe transmitter? [Later, 1855 UT:] Spur from 3955 J,lich, noted on 2 receivers (Mike Barraclough, Letchworth Garden City, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

We had this Juelich spurious problem recently, Febr 1st til 10th! But was solved on Feb 10th in the PDM - pulse duration modulation unit by the technicians at Juelich. [previously reported on 3902/4007 or more precisely: 3899.60 bis 3903.88 und 4006.80 bis 4010.40 kHz] (Wolfgang B,schel, ibid.)

This happened already in early February, caused by the PDM modulator stage of the transmitter and difficult to trace there. Apparently it came back now. I sent your observation to the Media Broadcast office in Cologne, no doubt they will once again forward it to J,lich (Kai Ludwig, Germany, ibid.)

** GREECE. 9420, Voice of Greece, March 22-23, 2200-0101 - Greek programming, music, news, phone chat. IS loop from 2350-2358 with alternating IDs by man in Greek and woman in English: "This is Athens. You are listening to the Voice of Greece". Dead air for a minute then IS 2359, NA at 0000, time pips into news in Greek. Woman in English at

0007 welcoming listeners to another program dedicated to Greek music. Back to back vocals until 0101, then closing comments on English then back to Greek programming. Excellent signal at beginning of English program, but only fair-to-poor by 0100. Perseus + Wellbrook ALA100 (Brandon Jordan - Memphis, TN, USA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This English program is UT Mondays only, and will presumably shift one hour earlier next week, to Sundays 2307 on whatever frequencies are then in use, likely still including 9420. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** GREECE THE VOICE OF GREECE (ERA-5)
A-09 Short-wave Transmission Schedule
(Effective from March 29 to October 25, 2009)

UTC	Avlis 1	Avlis 2	Avlis 3
0000-0100	15650/105J	7475/285J	9420/323J
0100-0200	15650/105J	7475/285J	9420/323J
0200-0300	15650/105J	7475/285J	9420/323J
0300-0400	*15650/105J	7475/285J	9420/323J
0400-0500	7450/323J	*7475/285J	9420/323J
0500-0600	J7450/323J	11645/2J	9420/323J
0600-0700	15630/285J	11645/2J	9420/323J
0700-0800	15630/285J	11645/2J	9420/323J
0800-0900	15630/285J	11645/2J	9420/323J
0900-1000	15630/285J	11645/2J	9420/323J
1000-1100	SILENT	SILENT	SILENT
1100-1200	#9935/285J	15630/285J	9420/323J
1200-1300	#9935/285J	15630/285J	9420/323J
1300-1400	#9935/285J	15630/285J	9420/323J
1400-1500	#9935/285J	15630/285J	9420/323J
1500-1600	#9935/285J	15630/285J	9420/323J
1600-1700	*#9935/285J	15630/285J	9420/323J
1700-1800	#7450/323J	15630/285J	9420/323J
1800-1900	#7450/323J	15630/285J	9420/323J
1900-2000	#7450/323J	15630/285J	9420/323J
2000-2100	#7450/323J	15630/285J	9420/323J
2100-2200	#7450/323J	15630/285J	9420/323J
2200-2300	*#7450/323J	*15630/285J	9420/323J
2300-2400	15650/105J	7475/285J	9420/323J

*Transmission ends 10 minutes earlier

Daily maintenance at 1000-1100 UT

Weekly maintenance every Tuesday at 0800-1200 UT

#ERT-3 Radiophonikos Stathmos Makedonias (Thessaloniki)

(John Babbis, Silver Spring, MD, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUATEMALA. 4799.79, R. Buenas Nuevas, San Sebastian, Mar 24, 0245-0431* - announcements and lots of music, ballads, marimbas, ID: "...sta

es Radio Buenas Nuevas, Tay Hay EM-meh Ee [TGMI] . . . transmitendo de San Sebastia·n de Huehuetenango (this sure sounds "San Sebastia·n de Fernando" to my ears), Guatemala . . . en cuatro mil . . . kilociclos, banda de sesenta metros". S/off announcements at 0428, a few seconds of the NA at 0430 then off at 0431*. Lower side band best bet due to het from much weaker Mexico on 4800.

4799.79, (presumed) R. Buenas Nuevas, San Seb., Mar 24, *1157-1220 - Transmitter on at 1157, directly in to Spanish version of "When We All Get to Heaven" by children beginning at 1159 and continuing with more religious songs by the same children's choir until 1220 tune-out. No announcements heard. Unlike the evening reception, XERTA is now at equal levels [see MEXICO] (Brandon Jordan - Memphis, TN, USA, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** HUNGARY [and non]. J·szberÈny to go dark? (Re: Media Broadcast A09)

Hey, what's this??

3975	0400	0500	28	ND	926	1234567	290309	241009	WER	250	RBP
6025	1000	1059	28	ND	930	1234567	290309	241009	WER	250	RBP
6025	1600	1700	28	ND	926	1234567	290309	241009	WER	250	RBP
15160	1600	1659	47,48	150	217	1234567	290309	241009	WER	250	RBP
3975	2100	2200	28	ND	926	1234567	290309	241009	WER	250	RBP

Looks as if Saturday could be the last day for the J·szberÈny transmitters, no longer in use for anything but a mere five frequency hours of Magyar R·di· per day anymore. And no transmission to North America anymore, instead a frequency for Africa will be added to one of the playouts for Europe (Kai Ludwig, Germany, March 23, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Au contraire:

Magyar Radio's only remaining broadcast to NAm in A-09 is at 0100-0200 on 6150, 250 kW, 306 degrees.

The 3975 and 6025 transmissions are still registered as from Hungary, but maybe the MB sked is about to take over, all in Hungarian only:

3975 04-05 250 Eu
3975 21-22 250 Eu
6025 10-11 100 Eu
6025 16-17 100 Eu

(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 9870, on AIR VBS, not only the music but the mixed-language ads are fun to listen to: March 23 at 1414, ``Drive to the nearest Indian Oil outlet --- and win exciting prizes!``, then a march tune. Fair reception, and much better than 9425 National Channel, only poor at 1418 but as far as I could tell the modulation was OK, unlike last

time I checked (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [non]. TWR INDIA A09 Wef 29-Mar-09 to 25-Oct-09, u.o.s. *
[via Novosibirsk, Irkutsk, Samara, RUSSIA]

LOC FREQ START STOP CIR PWR AZI SLEW ANT DAYS LANGUAGE

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NVS 12085 0000 0045 41 250 180 0 218 1 HINDI  
NVS 12085 0000 0015 41 250 180 0 218 23456 BENGALI  
NVS 12085 0015 0045 41 250 180 0 218 23456 BHOJPURI  
NVS 12085 0000 0015 41 250 180 0 218 7 DZONKA  
NVS 12085 0015 0030 41 250 180 0 218 7 NEPALI  
NVS 11930 1300 1315 41 250 180 0 218 234567 GARHWALI  
NVS 11930 1315 1430 41 250 180 0 218 1 7 HINDI  
NVS 11930 1330 1345 41 250 180 0 218 2 HINDI  
NVS 11930 1345 1400 41 250 180 0 218 34 HINDI  
NVS 11930 1400 1415 41 250 180 0 218 56 HINDI  
NVS 11930 1315 1330 41 250 180 0 218 23456 DOGRA  
NVS 11930 1345 1400 41 250 180 0 218 2 TIBETAN  
NVS 11930 1400 1415 41 250 180 0 218 23 BRAJ BHASHA  
NVS 11930 1400 1415 41 250 180 0 218 4 KASHMIRI  
NVS 11930 1415 1430 41 250 180 0 218 23456 BHOJPURI  
NVS 11930 1430 1500 41 250 180 0 218 1 7 PUNJABI  
NVS 11930 1430 1445 41 250 180 0 218 23456 HINDI  
NVS 11930 1445 1515 41 250 180 0 218 23456 PUNJABI  
NVS 11930 1500 1515 41 250 180 0 218 1 7 MARWADI  
NVS 11930 1515 1530 41 250 180 0 218 234567 HINDI  
NVS 11930 1530 1545 41 250 180 0 218 23456 HINDI  
  
IRK 9415 1230 1245 41 250 180 0 218 34 DHODIYA  
IRK 9415 1230 1245 41 250 180 0 218 56 MAITHILI  
IRK 9415 1230 1245 41 250 180 0 218 7 SANTHALI  
IRK 9415 1245 1315 41 250 180 0 218 23456 URDU  
IRK 9415 1300 1315 41 250 180 0 218 1 KUMAONI  
IRK 9415 1245 1300 41 250 180 0 218 7 KUI  
IRK 9415 1300 1315 41 250 180 0 218 7 HO  
IRK 9415 1315 1330 41 250 180 0 218 1 MARWARI  
IRK 9415 1330 1345 41 250 180 0 218 1 BONDO  
IRK 9415 1315 1345 41 250 180 0 218 23 MUSLIMI BENGALI  
IRK 9415 1315 1330 41 250 180 0 218 23 DHODIYA *  
IRK 9415 1330 1345 41 250 180 0 218 23 MAITHILI *  
IRK 9415 1315 1345 41 250 180 0 218 4 PUNJABI  
IRK 9415 1315 1330 41 250 180 0 218 7 BENGALI  
IRK 9415 1315 1330 41 250 180 0 218 56 MEWADI  
IRK 9415 1330 1345 41 250 180 0 218 567 DZONKA  
IRK 9415 1345 1415 41 250 180 0 218 1 BUNDELI  
IRK 9415 1345 1400 41 250 180 0 218 7 BUNDELI  
IRK 9415 1400 1415 41 250 180 0 218 7 ORIYA
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IRK 9415	1415	1430	41	250	180	0	218	12		MAGHAI
IRK 9415	1415	1430	41	250	180	0	218	34		MUNDARI
IRK 9415	1415	1430	41	250	180	0	218		567	KURUKH
IRK 9415	1430	1445	41	250	180	0	218	1	7	SADRI
IRK 9415	1445	1500	41	250	180	0	218	1	7	CHODHRI
IRK 9415	1430	1500	41	250	180	0	218		23456	SINDHI
IRK 9415	1500	1515	41	250	180	0	218	1	7	BHILI
IRK 9415	1515	1530	41	250	180	0	218	1	7	MOUCHI
IRK 9415	1500	1530	41	250	180	0	218		23456	KUTCHI
IRK 9415	1530	1545	41	250	180	0	218	1	7	AWADHI
IRK 9415	1530	1545	41	250	180	0	218		234	GAMITH
IRK 9415	1530	1545	41	250	180	0	218		56	VASAVI
IRK 9415	1545	1600	41	250	180	0	218	1		HARYANVI
IRK 9415	1545	1600	41	250	180	0	218		23456	URDU
IRK 9415	1545	1600	41	250	180	0	218		7	HINDI
IRK 9415	1600	1630	41	250	180	0	218	1	7	URDU

SAM 11955	1600	1615	41	250	180	0	157	1234567		PASHTO
SAM 11955	1615	1630	41	250	180	0	157	23456		PASHTO
SAM 11955	1615	1630	41	250	180	0	157	1		DARI

* WEF 31-May-09 to 25-Oct-09 (via Alokesh Gupta, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 3325. RRI Palangkaraya (Palangkaraya), 1210-1220, 3/23/2009, Bahasa. Woman talking, presumed to be news. Joined by man who appeared to be a reporter in the field, and another in the studio. Poor signal, declining. Program running in parallel to slightly stronger Manokwari on 3987.05. Nothing heard from cochannel PNG. Indonesians dominating this morning with only a couple of PNGs present.

4790, RRI Fak Fak (Fak Fak), 1215-1235, 3/23/2009, Bahasa. Woman talking, presumed to be end of news program. Short anthem or theme type music at 1220 followed by short talk segments by woman separated by musical bridges. Slow pop music at 1225 with announcements by woman. Parallel to Manokwari (3987.05) prior to 1220, then similar program but not exactly parallel. Poor signal with CODAR, peaking around 1225, then declining.

4919.98, RRI Biak (Biak) (tentative), 1225-1235, 3/23/2009, Bahasa. Only a carrier at 1225. A few words by a woman occasionally heard, peaking around 1235 with sufficient audio to identify language as Bahasa. Log is very tentative, but likely Biak, as a number of other another Indonesians were heard this morning. Indian and Chinese stations were totally absent. Looking for Jambi on 4925, but only a weak carrier was heard there (Jim Evans, Germantown, TN, TenTec RX-340, Eton E1, Sony ICF-SW7600G, Random Wires (90' and 200')), Eavesdropper Dipole, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Jim, appreciate your writing log reports in plain English rather than cluttering them with ugly slants, and cutting letters out of common words like some do in a misguided attempt to save 'space' or be a 'DX insider'. BTW, the word ``bahasa`` just means language. While the Indos may refer to their own language that abbreviated way, there are other bahasas, such as the closely related Malaysian, also abbr'd as BI and BM (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** INDONESIA. VOI, 9525, good reception March 23 during English hour at 1342, but the better the signal, the better the hum comes thru too. Indonesian words were being translated, but a printed text needed. Jack and Anna were discussing ``What do you usually do on Sunday? --- I usually go to the beach with my friends.`` Must be a lot of beaches in that archipelago. Next program following ``Let's Learn Bahasa Indonesia`` at 1346 was ``Music Corner``. At first there was ACI from a 9530 station, but by 1353 some spikes from a station breaking up on 9520 were more problematic. Per Aoki, 9530 is Chicom jamming plus VOA Chinese via Tinang, and 9520 is R. Veritas Asia, also Philippines, in Sinhala which does not come on until 1330 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN. VIRI tentative A-09 English:
1030-1130 15600 17660
1530-1630 7305 9600 9635
1930-2030 6205 7205 9800 9925
0130-0230 7235 9495
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN [and non]. A-09 for The Voice of Islamic Republic of Iran (VOIROI / IRIB)

ALBANIAN
0630-0727 13810 15235
1830-1927 9545 9570
2030-2127 9535 11830

ARABIC
0230-0527 7350 11655
0330-0530 6175
0530-1427 13790 13800 15150
0830-1027 9885
1430-1627 15150
1630-0527 6025 9935
1630-0327 3985

ARMENIAN
0300-0327 7255 12025 [9545 alt.]

0930-0957 9695 15260
1630-1727 7230 9780

AZERI

0330-0527 13710
1430-1657 6000 6035

BENGALI

0030-0127 5950 7325 [7360 alt.]
0830-0927 11705
1430-1527 6130 9520 12085

BOSNIAN

0530-0627 13750 15235
1730-1827 7295 9860 [9565 alt.]
2130-2227 7305 9810 [7350 alt.]

CHINESE

1200-1257 13735 15190 17635 17670 [12000 alt.]
2330-0027 11740 11970 13715

DARI

0300-0627 11910 13740
0830-1427 9940 13720
1430-1457 9940

ENGLISH

0130-0227 7235 9495 "Voice of Justice"
1030-1127 15600 17660
1530-1627 7305 9600 [9635 alt.]
1930-2027 5945SIT 6205 7205 9800 9925

FRENCH

0630-0727 13750 15430
1830-1927 5945SIT 9940 13755 15085

GERMAN

0730-0827 15085 15430
1730-1827 6180SIT 9940 15085

HAUSA

0600-0657 17810 17870
1830-1927 7370 9925 [7200 11785 alt.]

HEBREW

0430-0457 9610 11875
1200-1227 13685 15240

HINDI

0230-0257 15165 17635

1430-1527 11955 13700

ITALIAN

0630-0727 11690SIT 13620 15085 [13770 alt.]

1930-1957 5910 7380

JAPANESE

1300-1327 13755 15555

2100-2127 9670 11765 [11990 alt.]

KAZAKH

0130-0227 7360 9790

1300-1357 11665 13765

KURDISH

0330-0427 7255 9905 Sorrani dialect

1330-1627 5990 Kirmanji dialect

MALAY

1230-1327 15200 17560

2230-2327 5945 7310

PASHTO

0230-0327 7360 9605

0730-0827 11990 15440

1230-1327 6175 11730 [9790 alt.]

1430-1527 3945-m 5890-m [5935-m alt] Mashhad progr

1630-1727 6010 7200

RUSSIAN

0300-0327 9650 11925

0500-0527 9855 13750 17595 17655

1430-1527 3955SIT/6145SIT 7360 9580 9900

1700-1757 3985 7210

1800-1857 6205 7235

1930-2027 3985 7370

SPANISH

0030-0227 9655 9905 [7220 alt.]

0230-0327 9905 [7220 alt.]

0530-0627 15530 17785

2030-2127 6055SIT 7300 9800

SWAHILI

0400-0500 15265 15340 retimed

0830-0927 15240 17660

1730-1827 7360 9655

TAJIK

0100-0227 6175 7285

1600-1727 5945 5955 6180 [6110 alt.]

TURKISH

0430-0557 11685 13640

1600-1727 7370 9870 [7215 alt.]

URDU

0130-0227 7325 9480 9845

1300-1427 6000 9665 11695 [5960 alt.]

1530-1727 3945-m Mashhad program

1730-1757 delete

UZBEK

0230-0257 9740 11945 [6175 alt.]

1500-1557 5945 9680 9740 11945 [5955 alt.]

Saut Falestin

"Voice of Islamic Palestinian Revolution"

ARABIC 0330-0427 9610 11875

Al Quds TV, AQSA program 1630-2030 7350

[as previously on 5815/5835/6220??? --- gh]

Tentative SIT = Sitkunai relays in Lithuania

(Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Mar 21 via DXLD)

** ITALY. A propagação abriu um pouco, o suficiente para escutar alguns minutos do audio digital (13.06 kbps EEP aac mono) da Radio Maria, com transmissor DRM em 26010 kHz situado em Andrate, Italia, potencia de apenas 100 W ! em 23-03-2009 às 1910 UT. A imagem da recepção digital DRM está aqui: <http://www.qsl.net/py4zbz/hamdream/rxdm.htm#m73> de (Roland M Zurmely, PY4ZBZ, Sete Lagoas MG BRASIL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** JAPAN [and non]. Just received my A09 Radio Japan program guide in the mail, in English as follows, all UT:

SE Asia

0000-0020 13650 & 17810

0500-0530 17810

0900-0930 11815

1200-1230 9695

1400-1430 11705

SW Asia

0500-0530 15325
0900-0930 15590
1310-1340 11985
1400-1430 11985
Oceania
0900-0930 9625
1200-1230 9625
2200-2220 13640
North America
0000-0020 6145
0500-0530 6110
1200-1230 6120
1400-1430 11705
Hawaii
0900-0930 9825
Europe
0000-0020 5960
0500-0530 5975
1200-1230 9790
1400-1430 13630
Africa
0500-0530 11970
1400-1430 21560

Just picked up my third shortwave radio - Trans-oceanic G 500 in very good shape for a very decent price (some work required), all the more reason to tune into the world. To paraphrase Phil Gramm on guns, "I have more radios than I need, but not as many as I want." 73's (Dean Bonanno, Durham, CT, March 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. Re 9-025, 9665: Used to be considerably off-frequency. Could you measure it to two decimals like the LA's? (gh, DXLD)

Glenn, I did measure the frequency to the exact hertz as I usually do with the South American stations. I just didn't include the two zeros since I didn't think they were necessary. So that was the exact frequency for the station. I remember when I was in the USN we were instructed to place an "M" after our frequency entry to show we had measured it. In those days we used the SP600 receiver, so there was a need to measure new frequencies with a frequency meter when we found a new target. I just went to 9665 to double check that. The signal is too weak to hear any audio at this time (1120 UT), but the carrier is still audible. It is exactly on 9665 KHz if that's N. Korea at this late time? (Chuck Bolland, FL, March 23, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 5985, Shiokaze Sea Breeze, *1400-1403, March 23. Before their sign-on heard strong jamming (pulsating noise, assume from N. Korea) mixing with Myanmar; after sign-on was a mess with

jamming, Myanmar and Shiokaze all mixing together; they seemed to be in Japanese. Wish they would move and stop interfering with Myanmar. Time for another audio clip emailed to COMJAN so they can hear just how bad this frequency is now (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. EU, RSF PROMISE FUNDS FOR RADIO BROADCASTS INTO NORTH KOREA | Text of report in English by South Korean news agency Yonhap

Seoul, 24 March: The European Union (EU) and an international group of journalists forged a deal on Tuesday to provide 400m won (290,000 US dollars) to help anti-Pyongyang radio broadcasting stations run mostly by defectors from North Korea.

The EU and the Reporters sans Frontiers (RSF) signed the deal with three stations - Free North Korea Radio, Open Radio for Korea and Radio Free Chosun - in Seoul to fund their programmes for the next three years. Source: Yonhap news agency, Seoul, in English 24 Mar 09 (via BBCM via DXLD)

** MADAGASCAR. As we move forward to cover the world with the gospel, our trust in and dependence upon God has never been greater. The 2009 work on the new station continues in Madagasca [sic]. The three 100,000 watt transmitters have been built, tested, and are in Dallas waiting to be shipped out of Houston. Two additional diesel powered generators that have been built are in port in Madagascar and will be taken to the site to provide the electricity that is needed. The 4 antennas being built will be digital ready, which means that from each antenna, 4 simultaneous broadcasts on 4 different frequencies will be possible. The entire world will have access to the gospel each day with as much as 60 hours of programming from Alaska and Madagascar. More people than at any time in history will be able to hear the gospel each day from 6 antennas.

You may have read about the unrest in Madagascar recently. Things seem to be calmer, but not everything has been resolved. Kevin and Nancy Chambers have returned to continue construction. Wire, cable tools, and building supplies that we had stored in a warehouse were destroyed during the uprisings. This may set back the completion of the project three to six months. All but one of the buildings that we need have been completed and the towers are up. The curtain antennas are being constructed (Andy Baker, World Christian Broadcasting Update, undated, via DXLD)

I fail to see what being ``digital ready`` has to do with broadcasting 4 frequencies at once from each antenna. Looks like they are confident on proceeding without Ravalomanana support (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

I think "digital ready" means four digits (on either hand) represent the number of transmitters that can be connected to a single antenna. I guess this means they're planning for an additional transmitter.

Another explanation might be that the new guy in charge has his hand out (5 digits) for more money before the project can be completed (Jerry Lenamon, Waco TX, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MADAGASCAR. Radio Madagasikara, 03-22-09, 5010 AM with music and female Malagasy talk. Not the usual religious programming for their Sunday morning (my Saturday evening). Signal in AM mode tonight and very weak. I have heard both the AM and reduced carrier modes just pounding in, in the past few weeks. Tonight it was weak, especially during their peak time here between 0245 and 0345. Seems to be switching between AM and reduced carrier mode to being totally off air from my evening to evening. Also noted other 60 meter stations not propagating very well either. Poor conditions throughout whole band for me (Stephen J. Price, Johnstown, PA, ODXA yg via DXLD)

** MADAGASCAR [non]. 5895, looking for R. Mada, at 0420 March 23, but not a chance with WWCR 5890 up to usual super-strength. Occasionally we get ``long skip`` instead and WWCR weakens, this late at night (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re 9-025: Apologies for my sloppy reporting, I meant to tune in at sign on yesterday but didn't, tuned in 1708 and assumed that Mada was what I was hearing, was following a format that I wouldn't have expected from an established station of quite short news items with the same music repeated between them.

Neglected to check with Aoki/Bierwirth what else was on the channel but instead reacted to Kai stating that it was more or less certain that the site was Meyerton by thinking that it seemed too strong and steady a signal for that to be the case. Just checked the channel from 1659 today (March 23) and now realise why! (Mike Barraclough, England, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I.e., like others in Europe at 1700 on 5895 he was axually hearing R. Liberty in Tatar via Lampertheim, Germany (gh)

5895, Radio Mada International, 10 minute segment of the March 23 program posted to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YID1VdYVl9I> (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) By whom? Who knows? Who cares? But seems studio quality, not off-air recording, with usual loosely related video (gh)

** MEXICO. 4800.0, XERTA, Mèxico City, Mar 24, 0245-1220 - On all

night, mainly an eclectic variety of music from choir to romantica to jazz to rock music to contemporary Christian. Mainly poor throughout the evening but then improving to fair to good from 0700 with occasional long fades. "EK-ees Ay ER-reh Tah, [sic; it's Tay Ah, to use your fonetix --- gh] Radio Transcontinental" ID's. Bothered by R. Buenas Nuevas signing back on at 1157, with both stations at about equal levels (Brandon Jordan - Memphis, TN, USA, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Re 9-025, 6185 on past 0600: Radio Educaci n being heard quite regularly here at poor to fair levels on 6185 this past month from around 0730 to past 0815, clear channel, no sign of Brasilia, easy to confirm that it's Radio Educaci n that I am hearing as they stream on the web (Mike Barraclough, Letchworth Garden City, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MONGOLIA. A new alternative frequency for VOM, 0900-1100 and 1400-1600, including English at 1030-1100 and 1530-1600, is 9665, besides usual 12085. Look out for Korea North on 9665 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MYANMAR. 5770, Myanmar Defense Forces BS via Taunggyi, 1513, March 23. Recently saw a report of this being in USB. Today found them in conventional DSB (could hear all three: AM, LSB & USB), which I believe is normal for them; in vernacular with a fair signal.

5915.0, Myanma Radio - Minorities and Educational Service, 1425-1512*, March 23. In vernacular; segment of reading long list of numbers; segment iPsychological testing, part one , iHow well did you do?  and back to vernacular. At sign-off the usual brief selection of indigenous instrumental music; their sign-off times varies considerably day-to-day, but about 1512 is a frequent time for them to sign-off. Mixing with CRI. (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, Et n E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. The March 26th editions of Happy Station are just 3 days away from transmission. Both broadcasts at 0100 to 0155 and 1500 to 1555 UT will be different. So you will have a chance to hear two different shows. Frequency: 9955. Transmitter location: Miami, Florida, USA. Webstream: <http://www.wrmi.net> Regards, Keith Perron (via Alokesh Gupta, March 23, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND. TE REO IRIRANGI O AOTEAROA, O TE MOANA-NUI-A-KIWA
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as of 21/03/2009: FREQUENCY SCHEDULE Effective from 29 March 2009

ANALOGUE SERVICE [analog capable receiver required! -- gh]		
UTC	kHz	Primary Target
1300-1550	6170	Pacific
1551-1750	7285	Cook Islands Niue, Fiji, Samoa
1751-1850	6170	Cook Islands Niue, Fiji, Samoa
1851-1950	9615	Pacific
1950-2050	11725	Pacific
2051-2235	13730	Pacific
2236-0458	15720	Pacific
0459-0658	11725	Pacific
0659-1058	6170	Pacific
1059-1258	9655	NW Pacific, Bougainville, Papua New Guinea

DRM SERVICE - DRM Capable Receiver is required		
1200-1550	NO SERVICE	
1551-1750	6170	Cook Islands, Niue, Fiji, Samoa
1751-1850	7285	Cook Islands, Niue, Fiji, Samoa
1851-1935	9890	Niue, Fiji, Samoa, Tonga, Cook Islands
1936-1950	9890	Tonga
1951-2050	9890	Niue, Fiji, Samoa, Tonga Cook Islands
2051-2235	15720	Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Fiji
2236-0458	13730	Pacific
0459-0658	11675	Pacific
0659-1158	7285	Pacific

(Adrian Sainsbury, RNZI, UT March 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Local time conversions were still given in UT +13, removed here, but DST runs another week in NZ until April 4/5. Will that cause another revision in SW transmission schedule by UT? It will certainly cause some 1-hour shifts in National Radio live program relays (gh, DXLD)

Glenn, RNZI programming stays the same on UT. The transmission times will remain on UT when we move to standard time. However domestic programmes relayed by RNZI will move by one hour. Rgds (Adrian Sainsbury, March 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND [non]. Re 9-025, report of ZLXA in Brasil: Ivan, I am very sorry to disappoint you, but DXers all over the world have been trying for ZLXA this weekend, with zero results in Europe, North America and even New Zealand. Finally, George Maroti received a reply from ZLXA itself that due to problems with the transmitter the ``final SW broadcast`` has not happened, and they do not plan to try SW any more.

Therefore Ivan, I am afraid you must have heard something else. ZLXA was supposed to be on 3935 anyway, not 3933. I guess it was in

English? Altho you do not say so. Was there any ID or anything in the programming to connect what you heard to New Zealand? Possibly some spoiler with a ham rig put on a fake ZLXA broadcast to fool people? It will be very interesting to listen to your recording! 73, (Glenn Hauser, Oklahoma, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Ivan then sent me a 2:58 mp3 file, and this is my reply:

Ivan, this sounds like an ordinary ham radio conversation to me. There are considerable pauses between the two voices. It is very informal. Accents are American, but very hard to make out what is being said, except at 1:22 in the file ``one trillion dollars``.

While I haven't listened to ZLXA on SW or online, as a Radio Reading Service one would expect to hear an entirely different tone in the voice, i.e. reading a text, rather than a 2-way conversation. It also sounded like you were receiving this in SSB mode; is that correct? These could have been hams as far away as the USA at that hour of the night, and they would be using LSB-only. And of course could be on 3933 or any other exact frequency rather than 3935. Did you note whether they were on LSB or USB?

The two voices were of quite different pitches, perhaps due not only to their own larynxes but to not being on exactly the same frequency, which becomes very obvious when tuning SSB. There were also beeps now and then, apparently when they were taking turns talking. One would not expect this on a broadcast station, or with hams, but it does happen deliberately on CB so perhaps one of these guys has a transmitter which does that too. I believe that explains what you heard. 73, (Glenn to Ivan, via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN [and non]. I just picked out from our celebrated BBC "Today" programme that a fascinating collection of documents re Iran has been released under the UK's 30 year rule. Late in the 1970's the BBC was felt to be anti-Shah. The BBC was under pressure from the Foreign office who were worried about incitement of the already volatile youth in Iran. An option seriously considered was to BLOW UP the Masirah Island relay. Luckily for the BBC the demise of Masirah took place much later and without the originally planned drama. 73's (Dan Goldfarb, Brentwood, England, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

These events are also covered in Document tonight on Radio 4, available for 7 days on Listen Again, from DXLD 9-023:

Document --- Monday 23 March 2000-2030 BBC RADIO 4

Mike Thomson returns with BBC Radio 4's investigative history series which examines documents that shed new light on past events. In the

first edition, Mike uncovers papers which accuse the BBC of biased reporting as Iran descended into revolution in 1978 and 1979. . .

The piece on Today was at 0842 in the running order, they haven't got the programme on Listen Again yet but it should appear shortly. They might have Mike Thomson's report up as a separate piece of audio to save advancing the IPlayer.

Running order of this mornings Today programme and links to audio are here:

http://news.bbc.co.uk/today/hi/today/newsid_7958000/7958482.stm

The Today item is now available for streaming:

The people of Iran will be electing their next president within three months. Evidence has emerged that the BBC faced almost daily allegations of bias against the Shah of Iran shortly before he was forced from power by the 1979 revolution. Document programme on Radio 4 has had access to previously secret papers released under the 30 year rule. Mike Thomson has learned allegations were even made by Britain's own Ambassador to Tehran who called for the BBC's correspondent there to be replaced.

Scroll down to 0842 on this page:

http://news.bbc.co.uk/today/hi/today/newsid_7958000/7958482.stm

(Mike Barraclough, March 23, *ibid.*)

If non-UK residents want to know more, please try to access BBC Radio 4 via a web stream. The 30 minute programme "Document" will be aired tonight at 2000 UT. 73's (Dan Goldfarb, Brentwood, England, March 23, *ibid.*)

** PERU. 6173.8, Radio Tawantinsuyo, Cusco, weak signal at 0000 to 0010 21 March, narrow filter om en espa00l.

4824.51, La Voz de la Selva, Iquitos, 1025-1105 23 March, long talk by YL, OM with music bridge.

4826.46, Radio Sicuani, Sicuani, 1025 to 1100 23 March.

4940, tentative, Radio San Antonio, Ucayali, 1100-1120 23 March, very tentative, not the distorted Venezuelan station!

5039.24, Radio Libertad, JunIn, 1030 to 1105 23 March lively flauta andina with OM DJ talking over music, decent signal. Sign on about 1020 to 1030 most local mornings (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, Florida, Drake R8 ~ NRD 535D, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. RADIO VERITAS ASIA, SHORTWAVE TRANSMISSION SCHEDULE
29 MARCH TO 25 OCTOBER 2009

Bengali

0030ñ0057 11945

1400ñ1430 11870

Burmese

2330ñ2357 9720

1130ñ1157 15450

Filipino

2300-2327 9720

1500ñ1530 9615

1530-1600 9615 (Wed/Fri/Sun extension)

Hindi

0030ñ0057 11710

1330ñ1400 11870

Hmong

1200ñ1227 11935

Kachin

2330ñ2357 9645

1230ñ1257 15225

Karen

0000ñ0027 11935

1200ñ1230 15225

Mandarin

2100ñ2257 6115

1000ñ1157 9615

Russian

0130ñ0230 17830

1500ñ1600 9570

Sinhala

0000ñ0027 11730

0000ñ0027 9865

1330ñ1400 9520

Tamil

0030ñ0057 11935

1400ñ1427 9520

Telugu

0100ñ0127 15530

1430ñ1457 9585

Urdu

0100ñ0127 15280

0100ñ0127 17860

1430ñ1457 11870

Vietnamese

2330ñ2357 9670

0130ñ0230 15530

1030ñ1127 11850

1300ñ1327 11850

Zomi-Chin

0130-0200 15520

(via Ashik Eqbal Tokon, Rajshahi, Bangladesh, dxldyg via DXLD)

** POLAND [non]. GERMANY/FRANCE [POLAND non]

Polskie Radio A09 schedule - 29 March to 25 Oct 2009

ENGLISH

1200-1300 7330nau 9525

1700-1759 7265DRM 9555iss

POLISH

1030-1059 11915 11995nau

1530-1700 9670

2100-2159 5975 6155 7245nau - towards SoWeEUR

[NOTE: no more GUIANA FRENCH relays shown here --- gh]

GERMAN

1130-1159 5965 5975

1530-1559 5945 5975

1930-1959 6030DRM 6135

RUSSIAN

1100-1129 13745 13840

1300-1329 11835 13690

1430-1500 11955

1800-1829 6140

1900-1930 6050

BELARUSS

1330-1429 9440 11975

UKRAINIAN

1430-1530 11750 1500-1530 9440jul

1830-1859 6175

1830-1929 6140

HEBREW

1800-1830 9695

remaining all via Wertachtal (wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Mar 22 via DXLD)

In the new schedule of Polish Radio External Service, published in BC-DX TopNews #904, there probably is one mistake connected with Polish and Belarussian services. In their variant stays: POLISH 1530-1700 9670

But we know from the previous summer seasons (A-08 for instance) that:

POLISH 1530-1630 9670

BELARUSSIAN 1630-1700 9670

So, my variant of PRW's A-09 sked via Media Broadcast is: (I added languages) [all: 1234567 290309 241009]

11995	1030	1100	28NE,29W	100	156	NAU	100	PRW	Polish
11915	1030	1059	27	300	216	WER	100	PRW	Polish
13745	1100	1129	29	60	217	WER	100	PRW	Russian
13840	1100	1129	29S	90	217	WER	100	PRW	Russian
5975	1130	1159	28NW	40	805	WER	100	PRW	German
5965	1130	1159	28NW	ND	926	WER	100	PRW	German
9525	1200	1300	27	300	217	WER	100	PRW	English
7330	1200	1300	18	5	156	NAU	100	PRW	English
11835	1300	1329	29	60	216	WER	100	PRW	Russian
13690	1300	1329	30N,31W	60	217	WER	500	PRW	Russian
11975	1330	1429	28NE,29W	60	216	WER	100	PRW	Belarussian
9440	1330	1429	28NE,29W	60	218	WER	100	PRW	Belarussian
11955	1430	1459	29N	45	147	WER	100	PRW	Russian
9440	1500	1530	29S	75	216	JUL	100	PRW	Ukrainian
11750	1430	1529	29S	75	206	WER	100	PRW	Ukrainian
5945	1530	1559	28NW	55	151	ISS	100	PRW	German
9670	1530	1629	28NE,29W	60	201	WER	100	PRW	Polish
9670	1630	1659	28NE,29W	60	201	WER	100	PRW	Belarussian
7265	1700	1759	27	300	206	WER	40*	PRW	English
9555	1700	1759	18	25	216	ISS	100	PRW	English
6140	1800	1829	29S,30	75	206	WER	100	PRW	Russian
9695	1800	1830	38E,39	120	217	WER	100	PRW	Hebrew
6140	1830	1929	29S	75	146	WER	100	PRW	Ukrainian
6175	1830	1859	29S	75	201	WER	100	PRW	Ukrainian
6050	1900	1930	29N	45	147	WER	100	PRW	Russian
6135	1930	1959	28NW	40	805	WER	100	PRW	German
6030	1930	2000	28NW	ND	930	WER	40*	PRW	German

7245 2100 2200 27S 220 146 NAU 250 PRW Polish
6155 2100 2159 28NE,29W 55 141 WER 100 PRW Polish

The transmissions marked with "*" are expected to be in DRM, though I didn't notice anything about it in Media Broadcast A-09 table (Alexey Zinevich: a DXer from Minsk, Belarus, March 24, dxldyg via DXLD)

** PORTUGAL. Cantando, Espalharei É o nome de interessante programa da Rádio Portugal que vai ao ar, nos domingos, a partir de 1810, no Tempo Universal, em 15465 kHz. Na edição de 22 de março, João Maria Tudela apresentou várias músicas que foram proibidas de serem executadas em Portugal durante a ditadura salazarista (Célio Romais, Panorama, @tividade DX March 22 via DXLD)

** PRIDNESTROVYE. Hello Glenn, I read the item in the most recent DXLD regarding Radio PMR transmissions. I can confirm they are still broadcasting on shortwave. I tuned in last night (3/23) at 2315 UT on 6240. The closing announcement stated that the transmission can be heard at 2315 UT on 6240. No other frequencies or times were mentioned, so I guess it's only one transmission per day. Regards (Chris Lewis, England, March 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PRIDNESTROVYE. Diverse PMR, V of Russia, YFR, Iranian clandestines via Grigoriopol in Moldova in A-09 tentatively on regular
5965 1600-1640 UT.
6015 2000-2200 UT.
6040 2200-2400 UT.
6245 1700-2000,
7375 1730-1930,
7425 1700-1900,
11635/13665 1400-1500 UT towards Iran.

7285 2300-0500 UT.
7350/7360 2000-2200 UT.
7370 1400-2300 UT.
7380 2000-2200 UT.

9665 to NoAM 2300-0500 UT.
12135 to EUR 1400-1600 UT.
15690 to AF 1400-1500 UT (wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Mar 21 via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 7320, GTRK Magadan (tentative), 0210-0300, March 23. Normally their local programming is heard with news, interviews, BoH singing jingle followed by giving Magadan phone numbers, but today had none of these items; was all music, with woman announcer briefly between songs; mostly Russian ballads, but also Stevie Wonder with "I Just Want To Say I Love You"; too weak at the start to hear any ID and no sign-off announcement before rejoining the Radio Rossii network

programming at ToH and becoming parallel again with 7200. Signal gradually improving. First time I have heard this all music format (Ron Howard, Asilomar Beach, CA, Etûn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [non]. VOR tentative A-09 relays via GUIANA FRENCH:
2300-2400 11605, 250 kW, 180 degrees to SAm [Portuguese]
0000-0200 9810, 250 kW, 195 degrees to SAm [Spanish]
[this must mean that DentreCuban Jamming Command and R. Rep'blica via Sackville will either be moving from 9810 or colliding unexpectedly]
0100-0500 9735, 250 kW, 320 degrees to NAm [Russian, English]
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH AFRICA. SENTECH A09

Start	Stop	Freq	Pow	Days	Target Area	Language
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AWR

1700	1800	9600	250	1234567	East Africa	Swahili/Masai
1800	1830	3215	100	1234567	Namibia	English
1800	1830	3345	100	1234567	Zimbabwe	English
1800	1830	9610	250	1234567	East Africa	English

BBC

0300	0330	5915	500	1234567	East Africa	Swahili
0300	0400	6145	500	1234567	West Africa	English
0300	0600	3255	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
0300	0600	6190	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
0400	0600	7310	250	1234567	West Africa	English
0400	0430	9835	250	1234567	East Africa	Swahili
0430	0530	3380	100	12345	S.Mozambique	Portuguese
0430	0530	6145	250	12345	N.Mozambique	Portuguese
0500	0600	11925	250	6	Central Africa	Kirundi
0530	0600	11925	250	7	Central Africa	Kirundi
0600	0700	12105	250	1234567	West Africa	English
0600	1600	6190	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
0600	1400	9860	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
0700	0730	17640	500	1234567	West Africa	French
0700	0800	17830	500	1234567	West Africa	English
1330	1530	11705	500	6	East Africa	Swahili
1400	1600	7230	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
1500	1700	7385	500	1234567	East Africa	English/Swahili/Kirundi
1600	2200	3255	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
1600	2200	6190	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
1700	1900	7385	250	1234567	East Africa	English
1745	1800	7230	500	1234567	East Africa	Swahili
1800	1830	5985	250	1234567	Indian Oc.Isles	French

2030	2100	3380	100	12345	S.Mozambique	Portuguese
2030	2100	6065	500	12345	Angola	Portuguese
2030	2100	6135	250	12345	N.Mozambique	Portuguese
2100	2200	7410	100	1234567	West Africa	English
2200	2300	6005	100	1234567	West Africa	English

Channel Africa

0300	0500	3345	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
0300	0400	6135	250	1234567	East Africa	English
0500	0800	7230	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
0600	0700	15255	250	1234567	West Africa	English
0800	1200	9625	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
1200	1300	9625	100	1234567	Southern Afr	Nyanja
1300	1400	9625	100	1234567	Southern Afr	Lozi
1400	1600	9625	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
1500	1600	15660	250	1234567	East Africa	Swahili
1600	1700	15235	250	1234567	West Africa	French
1700	1800	15235	500	1234567	West Africa	English
1900	2000	3345	100	1234567	Mozambique	Portuguese

Deutsche Welle

0500	0530	9825	250	1234567	Central Africa	English
1700	1800	9735	100	1234567	Central Africa	French

EDC

1600	1630	11770	100	1234	67	Sudan Unspecified
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Family Radio

1800	1900	6180	100	1234567	East Africa	English
1900	2000	3230	100	1234567	Southern Afr	English
1900	2000	3955	100	1234567	Mozambique	Portuguese
1900	2000	5930	250	1234567	East Africa	Swahili
1900	2000	6100	100	1234567	Angola	Portuguese

FEBA

1545	1700	12125	250	1234567	East Africa	Amharic
1730	1800	5890	250	1234567	East Africa	Silte
1830	1845	7255	100	1234567	Central Africa	French

Hirondelle Foundation

0400	0600	11690	250	1234567	Central Africa	French/unspecified
1600	1700	11890	250	1234567	Central Africa	French/unspecified

IBRA

1730	1800	9615	100	1234567	Somalia	Somali
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RFI

0600	0700	11830	250	1234567	Angola/W.Afr	Portuguese
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0700	0800	15170	250	1234567	West Africa	French
1100	1200	17525	250	1234567	Central Africa	French
2000	2200	5895	250	1234567	West Africa	French

Radio Sonder Grense

0000	0500	3320	100	1234567	N.Cape Afrikaans
0500	0800	7285	100	1234567	N.Cape Afrikaans
0800	1600	9650	100	1234567	N.Cape Afrikaans
1600	2400	3320	100	1234567	N.Cape Afrikaans

RTE

1930	2030	6220	100	1234567	Central Africa	English
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SA Radio League

0800	0900	7205	100		7 Southern Afr	English
0800	0900	17570	250		7 East Africa	English
1905	2005	3215	100	1		Southern Afr English

Trans World Radio

0330	0345	7215	250	1234567	Ethiopia	Amharic
0600	0645	11640	500	12345	Nigeria	English
0600	0615	11640	500		67 Nigeria	English
1557	1627	9675	250	12345	Burundi	Kirundi
1625	1655	9660	500	12345	Somalia	Somali
1625	1640	9660	500		7 Somalia	Somali
1718	1733	7265	250	1234567	Mozambique	Yao
1840	1925	9720	250		7 West Africa	French
1840	1940	9720	250	12 4	West Africa	French/Moore
1910	1940	9720	250	3	West Africa	French/Moore
1925	1940	9720	250	5	West Africa	French/Moore

VOA

1600	1630	11640	100		6 East Africa	Kirundi
1700	1730	11835	100	1234567	West Africa	English
1800	1830	6170	100	12345	Angola	Portuguese
1830	2030	6170	100	1234567	West Africa	French
1900	2000	5990	500	1234567	West Africa	English
2030	2100	6170	100	12345	West Africa	Hausa

Day 1 = Monday, day 2 = Tuesday (Updated 20 March 2009)

(Via Kathy Otto, Sentech, DXLD; this version via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dxldyg, further tidied up by Glenn Hauser for DXLD)

Kathy says she is about to retire from SENTECH, and we wish her an enjoyable retirement! (gh, DXLD)

** SRI LANKA [non]. Re M&B A09 schedule:

5935 0000 0100 41 340100 103 218 1234567 290309 241009 NAU 250 WRN
WRN World Radio Network

So WRN whose vision was to provide the SW broadcasters with local AM/FM relays finally joins the SW crowd itself? (Or maybe I didn't study Media Broadcast schedule before and that happened already some time ago?) HFBC CIRAF zone 41 means that WRN is targeting India (Sergei Sosedkin, Russia, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That's nothing new, surely one of their old clients, IBC Tamil, mainly for Sri Lanka, on a new A09 frequency. (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

They offer this service already for a long time. Around five years ago they worked with Bulgaria, also for DRM, as presented on IFA 2005 (where the operator or transmitter site had not been revealed, away from unspecific references to "southeastern Europe", a circumstance yours truly drew conclusions from that were not really liked).

This DRM pilot ceased after some time, and attempts to use Bulgarian transmitters for AM services showed only bad results, thus bookings had been placed at what is now Media Broadcast instead. Some arrangements with Sentech have been made, too (I think the recently launched RT... on 6220 is not the first one although I can not recall details). See also <http://www.wrn.org/services/transmission/swam.html> (Kai Ludwig, ibid.)

The DTK M&B schedule via Sakthi Vel does not mark which transmissions are DRM, as you seem to think this one in question is. I believe it is analog, and indeed IBC Tamil, via Nauen, 0000-0100 on 5935; replacing 6045 Wertachtal in B-08 (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** SUDAN [non]. 7315, GERMANY, R. Dabanga via Wertachtal, in Afro vernacular, 3/22 0439-0458. Heard in // 13800 (from very poor to good audio with a delay of few seconds from German transmitter) - M ID as Radio Dabanga, brief music break, then talk by same M, other M talking and first M talk at times for possible interview (mentioning Sudan, Darfur, Dabanga), Men chorus jingle ID: "Radio Dabanga! Radio Dabanga! Radio Dabanga! Radio Dabanga!", then M mentioning R. Dabanga and other M talking from 0458. Heard with local audio with S9+30 of peak, then decreasing signal to S9+20, heard in SSB but well audible in AM too. Good / Excellent at times (Serra-Italy) [I assume you do not mean that it was transmitted in anything but AM --- gh]

13800, MADAGASCAR, R. Dabanga via Talata Volonondry, in Afro vernacular, 3/22, 0440-0500 in // 7315 from 0458 M talking with other M, brief talk at times, increasing signal and audio from very poor to good with a delay of few seconds from German transmitter (Giovanni

Serra, Roma, Italy. Equipment: JRC NRD 525; Alpha Delta DX-SWL Sloper-S; RG 8 mini coaxial cable; JPS NIR 12 Noise & Interference Reducer-Dual DSP outboard audio filter; Intek PS-35 5 ampere feeder; JRC - NVA 319 external loudspeaker unit; Yaesu YH - 77 STA stereo headphones; Zoom Corp. H2 handy digital recorder MP3 & WAV files; Oregon Scientific radio controlled clock; Interkart framed wall board political world map (1: 46,400,000); the DX Edge-Xantek Inc. (daylight-darkness desk world map), NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

** TAIWAN [non]. Summer A-09 of Radio Taiwan International via TDF:

1400-1500 on 15225 ISS 500 kW / 060 deg Russian to RUS
1600-1700 on 13840 ISS 500 kW / 085 deg English to SoAs
1700-1800 on 11705 ISS 500 kW / 055 deg Russian to RUS
1700-1800 on 15690 ISS 500 kW / 160 deg English to SoAf
1800-1900 on 6155 ISS 250 kW / 345 deg English to U.K.
1900-2000 on 11755 ISS 500 kW / 190 deg French to NoAf
2000-2100 on 3965 ISS 250 kW / 215 deg Spanish to SoEu
2100-2200 on 3965 ISS 250 kW / 050 deg German to WeEu
0200-0300 on 9840 GUF 500 kW / 195 deg Spanish to SoAm
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, March 24 via DXLD)

** TAIWAN [and non]. Radio Taiwan International A09

UTC Days area kHz Site kW

Mandarin

0300-0400 Fri/Sun CHN 11885 TWN 100 [does that include Saturday? gh]
0400-0600 Daily CHN 11885 TWN 100
0300-0400 Fri/Sun CHN 15245 TWN 100
0000-0300 Daily CHN 9660 TWN 100
0300-0400 Fri/Sun CHN 15290 TWN 250
0400-0600 Daily CHN 15290 TWN 250
0400-0500 Daily CHN 1008 TWN 600
0300-0400 Fri/Sun CHN 11640 TWN 100
0400-0600 Daily CHN 11640 TWN 100
1000-1100 Daily CHN 1422 TWN 50
1000-1400 Daily CHN 6150 TWN 100
1000-1500 Daily CHN 6085 TWN 300
1000-1700 Daily CHN 11665 TWN 300
1000-1700 Daily CHN 603 TWN 500
1000-1700 Daily CHN 7185 TWN 100
1000-1700 Daily CHN 1008 TWN 600
1000-1200 Daily CHN 1503 TWN 600
1000-1400 Daily CHN 9780 TWN 100
1100-1300 Daily CHN 11710 TWN 300
1100-1700 Daily CHN 9680 TWN 100
1300-1330 Daily CHN 1503 TWN 600
1300-1400 Daily SeA 15265 TWN 250

1300-1500 Daily SeA 7445 TWN 100
1300-1700 Daily CHN 1098 TWN 300
1435-1535 Daily CHN 7270 TWN 300
1400-1800 Daily CHN 7130,6145 TWN 100
1600-1700 Daily CHN 1503 TWN 600
1600-1700 Daily CHN 7365 TWN 300
2200-2400 Daily CHN 11710 TWN 300
2200-2400 Daily CHN 11885 TWN 100
2200-2400 Daily CHN 6105 TWN 100
2200-2400 Daily SeA 11635 TWN 100
2300-2400 Daily CHN 9685 TWN 100
2300-2400 Daily CHN 9660 TWN 100
2200-2400 Daily CHN 6150 TWN 100

Hokkein

0500-0600 Daily CHN 1422 TWN 50
1000-1100 Daily CHN 15465 TWN 100
1200-1300 Daily SeA 11715,1206 TWN250/100
1300-1400 Daily CHN 11635 TWN 100

Hakka

0230-0300 Daily NwA 15440 WYFR 100
0430-0500 Daily SeA 15320 TWN 100
1030-1100 Daily SeA 15270,11635 TWN 100
1230-1300 Daily NeA 6150,11915 TWN 100/250
1530-1400 Daily SeA 11550 TWN 100

Cantonese

0200-0230 Daily NwA 15440 WYFR 100
0400-0430 Daily SeA 15320 TWN 100
1000-1030 Daily SeA 15270,11635 TWN 100
1200-1230 Daily CHN 11915,6105 TWN 250/100
1500-1530 Daily SeA 11550 TWN 250

English

0200-0300 Daily NeA 5950 WYFR 100
0300-0400 Daily NwA 5950 WYFR 100
1100-1200 Daily SeA 11715,7445 TWN 250/100
1100-1200 Thur SeA 1206 TWN 100
1600-1700 Daily SeA 13840 Issoudun 500
1600-1700 Daily CHN,SAs 11550 TWN 100
1700-1800 Daily CAf 15690 Issoudun 500
1800-1900 Daily EU 6155 Issoudun 250
2200-2300 Thur SeA 1206 TWN 100

French

1900-2000 Daily wEu 11755 Issoudun 500
1900-2000 Daily wEu 6045 Skelton 250

Spanish

0200-0300 Daily SAm 7570 WYFR 100
0200-0300 Daily SAm 9840 Montsinery 500
0400-0500 Daily CAm 17725 WYFR 100
0600-0700 Daily CAm 5950 WYFR 100
2000-2100 Daily EU 3965 Issoudun 250
2300-2400 Daily SAm 17725 WYFR 100

German

1900-2000 Daily Eu 6185 Skelton 250
2100-2200 Daily wEU 3965 Issoudun 250

Russian

1400-1500 Daily wSiberia 15225 Issoudun 500
1400-1430 Daily Moscow 738AM Moscow N/A [n/a? MWS have kW too! -- gh]
1100-1200 Daily NeA 11985 TWN 100
1700-1800 Daily Moscow 11705 Issoudun 500

Japanese

0830-1000 daily NeA 11605 (From April 1, the time will change to
0800-0900) TWN 250
1100-1400 daily NeA 9735 (From April 1, the time will change to
1100-1200 and 1300-1400) TWN 250

Vietnamese

0000-0100 Daily SeA 11655 TWN 100
0900-1000 Daily SeA 15270 TWN 100
1100-1200 Daily CHN,TWN 1422 TWN 50
1300-1400 Daily CHN,TWN 1206 TWN 100
1400-1500 Daily SeA 11550 TWN 250

Thai

1300-1500 Daily CHN,TWN 1422 TWN 50
1400-1500 Daily SeA 11635 TWN 100
1500-1600 Daily SeA 7555 TWN 100
1500-1600 Daily SeA 1503 TWN 600
2200-2300 Daily SeA 1503 TWN 600
2200-2400 Daily SeA 7445 TWN 100
2300-2400 Daily SeA 1422 TWN 50

Indonesian

0300-0500 Daily CHN,TWN 1422 TWN 50
1000-1100 Daily SeA 11520 TWN 100
1000-1100 Daily SeA 11550 TWN 250
1200-1300 Daily TWN 1422 TWN 50
1200-1300 Daily SeA 11635 TWN 100
1400-1500 Daily SeA 11875 TWN 250

Code for Area and Countries :

Af-Africa

CHN-China

CAm-Central America

Eu-Europe

ME-Middle East

NAm-North America

NEm-North East America

RUS-Russia

SAm-South America

SAs-South Asia

SeA-South East Asia

TWN-Taiwan

RELAYED VIA:

WYFR, USA

Skelton, UK

Issoudum [sic], Montsinery, France [sic]

AM

KEBAR* AM 1210 kHz, Sacramento CA, USA

Mandarin: 2000-2300, Cantonese/Hakka: 2300-2400, local time

WBGR 860 EST DST [where? Baltimore MD, 66 watts night power]

Mandarin A 2000-2100, Mandarin B 2100-2200, Cantonese/Hakka 2200-2400

----- (via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dxldyg via DXLD)

*RTI has made this 'KEBAR' mistake for years. When will they ever catch on that US stations do not have 5-letter calls? It's a Family Radio station, KEBR licensed to Rocklin near Sac'to, but per NRC AM Log has an application to change city of license to another suburb, Arden-Arcade. And it supposedly relays KEAR-FM, which does not account for RTI relays. Are those really still in effect on 1210? That's 0300-0700 UT, night power 500 watts (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. R. Thailand, HSK9, tentative A-09 English:

0000-0030 SAf 9640, ENAm 15275

0030-0100 ENAm 12120, WNAm 15275

0200-0230 ENAm 15275

0530-0600 Eu 17655

1230-1300 Au 9890

1400-1430 Au 9455

1900-2000 Eu 7570

2030-2045 Eu 9680

Use of 15275 before 0200 would be new, to be confirmed (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET [non]. Re 9-025: 17565.0, 1254-1307 23/3, Voice of Tibet - Tentativa, Unknown, TAJIKISTAN, (UU) música típica com tambores marcando o ritmo e outros instrumentos regionais. Sinal audível sem dificuldade em modo AM (17566.5 kHz a 17564.2 kHz, usando filtro de 2.8). Transmite alternativamente em 17525, conforme PASSPORT 2009, ainda segundo essa mesma fonte, existe transmiss,,o também em 17560 (1100-1145 e 1215-1300, para o Sul da Ásia, durante o inverno). 15221

OBS: A propósito dessa escuta em 17565 kHz e, sendo eu neôfito no hobby, n,,o tenho como afirmar que realmente se trate da Voice of Tibet (Clandestina) . No caso, achei estranho ouvir essa transmiss,,o e n,,o encontrar referência em nenhuma outra lista de escutas, se n,,o no PASSPORT 2009. Além da dificuldade da língua, se houvesse falas, e por se tratar de uma emiss,,o exclusivamente musical, em nenhum momento houve uma identificaÁ,,o da emissora. Se algum colega puder trazer alguma contribuiÁ,,o que elucide ou nos traga pistas ficamos agradecidos (Antonio Laurentino Garcia, PR7BCP, dxclubepri yg via DXLD)

** TURKEY. VOT tentative A-09 English:

1230 15450, 15520

1830 9785

2030 7205

2200 9830

0300 5975, 6165, 7325-Canada [maybe]

15520, 9830 and 6165 are notably new compared to A-08.

15450, 9785, 9830, 5975 are for WEu and/or in same direction NAM
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY [non]. 7325, VOT via Sackville, yet another day still in Turkish instead of correct English, March 23 at 0420 check.

7325, March 24 at 0402, woman speaking Turkish from VOT instead of English via Canada (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY Summer A-09 schedule for Voice of Turkey:

ALBANIAN

0600-0630 9700

1130-1200 11875

ARABIC

0900-1000 11690 11750

1400-1500 9540 15285

AZERI

0700-0800 11730 15140

1400-1500 7265

BOSNIAN deleted

BULGARIAN 1100-1130 7210

CHINESE 1100-1200 15240

CROAT/SERBIAN deleted

DARI/PASHTO

1500-1630 11735 extended till 1630 UT

ENGLISH [see also above]

0100-0159 9620 - RCI English relay towards Asia

0300-0400 5975 6165 7265 7325# [NOT 7265 --- gh]

1230-1330 15450 15520

1830-1930 9785

2030-2130 7205

2200-2300 9830

FRENCH

1930-2030 5980 9535

GERMAN

1130-1230 13760

1730-1830 11835

GEORGIAN

1000-1100 9655 retimed ex 0700-0800 UT

GREEK

1030-1100 9840

1430-1500 7310

HUNGARIAN deleted

ITALIAN

1630-1700 9610

JAPANESE

2000-2100 9635 additional

KAZAKH

1100-1200 11925 retimed ex 1330-1400 UT

KYRGYZ

1330-1400 11835

MACEDONIAN

0800-0830 11820

PASHTO/DARI

1500-1630 11735 extended til 1630 UT

PERSIAN

0830-1000 11795 15220

1500-1600 9765 retimed ex 1230-1330 UT

ROMANIAN deleted

RUSSIAN

1300-1400 11965

1700-1800 deleted

SPANISH

0100-0200 9770 9870

1630-1730 11930

TATAR

1000-1100 13770 retimed ex 1500-1530 UT

TURKISH

0000-0200 7260

0400-0600 6040 11980

0600-0900 11750

0600-1300 11955 13635

0600-1400 13770

0700-0900 11955

0900-1300 11955 17645

1300-1600 9460 9840

1600-1900 5960 6120 7285 9460

1900-2100 5960 6120 9460

TURKMEN

1300-1400 11890 retimed ex 1400-1430 UT

URDU

1200-1300 13710

UYGHUR

0200-0300 9510 additional

1400-1500 15180 additional

UZBEK

1000-1100 15280 retimed/extended ex 1200-1230 UT

Sackville Canada relay 250 kW / 277 deg

(wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Mar 21 via DXLD)

** UGANDA. 4750, Dunamis R, Mukono, 1814-1859*, 21 Mar, Vernacular, light songs, talks; 35332.

4976, R. Uganda, Kampala, 1810-1929, 21 Mar, English, international pops; 44343 (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U A E [non]. Abu Dhabi Media: see FRANCE; no, see ETHIOPIA [non]

** U K. We had an INTERMODULATION from Woofferton tonight, at 17-18 UT, both 9865 R Liberty Belarussian, 9735 DWL French to North Africa observed near Hamburg-Bremen on 9995 kHz (130 kHz away) on a Perseus unit. Here in Stuttgart noted 9996 kHz from Moscow (time and standard frequency station only), but noted the other lower side of the fundamental signal, on 9735 minus 130 kHz = 9605 kHz, contained RL Belarussian and underneath BBC Urdu on co-channel. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, March 23, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. Re 9-025, DIGITAL BROADCASTING: BBC-DRM spectrum too wide

Hello Jurgen, Here are the results from a few minutes ago at 1700 UT
<http://www.schotmans.net/1296AM.jpg>
<http://www.schotmans.net/1296off.jpg>
<http://www.schotmans.net/1296DRM.jpg>

It is clearly visible that the carrier at 1287 kHz is completely swallowed by the DRM slop. 73, (Guido Schotmans, Belgium, March 21, mwxdyg via DXLD)

That is horrible; compare it with analog, the noise goes all the way to 1314 and 1271. It is unbelievable that they get away with that, while every manufacturer of electronic devices have to comply with strict emissions limits (=micro-Watts), and the BBC blast kW's of noise across Europe. If they cannot design or maintain their transmitter, than take it off air, as simple as that (Jurgen Bartels, Suellwarden, N. Germany, ibid.)

** U S A. 7457-USB, Air Force MARS Net, NCS now with new callsign AFD4TN, with the best signal by far, mostly weak check-ins at 1420 March 23 mentioning on emergency power (due to an emergency, or just as test?); 1421 AFA4NG in Boaz, 1422 calling anyone in Alabama. Calls always given fonetikally, tnx.

I get zero Google hits on AFD4TN, and only one among the 20,235 logs so far in the UDXF yg, as controlling another MARS net on 3299-USB for the Tennessee area at 0205 UT Jan 31. My previous logs of MARS on 7457 are in DXLDs 8-031, 8-035 and 8-124 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 7235, VOA Korean via Tinian, Monday March 23 at 1320 with English lessons, on the theme of drinking maple sap, which looks and tastes like water, something preferred by Koreans rather than syrup. Such things one can learn by SWLing! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) And another episode on this the next day (gh)

** U S A [non]. Additional English broadcast from VOA on President's News Conference on
25-MAR-09 -- VOA will broadcast additional English on the morning of 25th March 2009 only on
President's News Conference as per the following schedule :
0000-0115 UT on 7135 11840 15095 15625 17585
(Alok Dasgupta via <http://dxasia.info/news/> via Alokesh Gupta, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Morning, so for Asia; more for America? A quick scan of 3 thru 15 MHz bands at 0140-0145 March 25 found zero stations carrying the President, including private US SW stations. Back to business as usual, who cares about public service? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** U S A. Earlier heard lite squeal on WWCR-1 when using 7465. Now heard also on same transmitter when on 3215, March 24 at 3215 during talkshow (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. There was a discussion of audio or transmitter squeal (or heterodyne, or spur, different) on 7415 or 5110 Kc. Since starting listening to the WBCQ SW stations in 2005, I have never heard any of these problems coming from the stations. On-air heterodynes from nearby stations are another matter but mostly hit 5110; for example, here, 5110 is often straddled by a Radio China International on maybe 5103 Kc and a superhet image of Radio China International on seemingly 5117 Kc.

Putting the slide tuner on the antenna on my Hallicrafters doesn't help kill the 5117 because the impedance at the antenna terminals is a serious mismatch to the slide tuner but putting a finger on the tuner grid terminal, antenna screw, or ground screw, can make 5117, other birdies, or buzzes get louder or quieter than 5110 Kc (Frederic Jodry, March 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I suppose these are receiver-produced 2 x IF images from CRI relays via Canada on 6005; Albania, Canada on 6020 depending on time (gh)

** U S A [non]. WYFR via Media Broadcast A09 --- I took WYFR part of the new Media Broadcast schedule and compared it with the one which was used in A-08. I also tried to add the languages of broadcasting.

So, I got something like this:

WYFR A-09 via Media Broadcast, all 1234567 290309 241009:

9895	1800	1859	28E	100	206	JUL	100	Romanian (ex 7220 in A-08)
13605	1400	1459	30S,40N	75	217	WER	250	?-Punjabi/Urdu
13840	1700	1759	37,38	180	217	WER	100	?-Punjabi/Arabic
9635	1801	1901	37N	230	216	NAU	250	Spanish + Portuguese
15750	1600	1759	47,48	155	218	NAU	500	Amharic + Swahili
11670	1600	1659	40	105	217	WER	500	Persian
11850	1700	1759	40	105	217	WER	500	Persian (ex Nauen in A-08)
9565	1700	1859	29,30	65	216	NAU	250	Russian (ex 9505 in A-08)
15715	1500	1559	41	90	217	WER	500	Kannada
15670	1400	1559	41	90	217	WER	500	Hindi
11680	1600	1659	41	90	217	WER	500	Hindi
15370	1500	1558	41	95	218	NAU	500	?-Telugu/Tamil/Marathi
15690	1400	1459	41S	105	217	WER	500	Pashto
15255	1300	1459	41E	84	218	NAU	500	Bengali (ex 15350 in A-08)
13830	1500	1559	41E	75	217	WER	500	?-Urdu/Gujarathi/Punjabi
13645	1600	1659	39	120	218	WER	250	Arabic
11885	1700	1759	39	120	218	WER	250	Arabic (ex 1800-1900 A-08)
11600	1800	1859	37E,38	150	201	WER	250	Arabic
9590	1900	2000	37E,38	150	217	WER	250	Arabic
9610	1900	2200	46,47,52	180	217	WER	500	English
11840	1900	2000	37,46	210	217	WER	500	French
9595	2000	2100	46E,47,52N	180	217	WER	500	French
6115	2000	2200	37,38W	210	216	NAU	250	Arabic (ex Wertachtal A-08)
9720	2100	2159	46E,47,52N	180	216	WER	500	French (ex -2300 in A-08)
7420	2200	2300	37,38W	210	215	WER	250	Arabic (ex 7115 in A-08)
13790	1800	1859	46E,47W	180	217	WER	500	Hausa
3975	1800	2000	28	ND	926	WER	250	Hungarian + Serbian

We'll see if there are some mistakes and what languages exactly will be used on the frequencies I marked with "?". 73! (Alexey Zinevich: a DXer from Minsk, Belarus, March 23, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 540, KNMX, NM, Santa Fe. 2/28 1504 [EST]. Excellent English ID, iSanta Fe's best AM station for 5 years running, and into Spanish music (Forest Osborn, Hooker OK, Icom R-70, HQ-150, 4 foot loop, 200 foot LW, DDXD-West, NRC DX News March 30 via DXLD)

?? Since when has it been a Santa Fe station, and not a Las Vegas station? Yes, the signal gets into SF, but the last I knew it was still identifying as and originating from Las Vegas, the transmitter site too. FCC AM Query still has it as a Las Vegas (only) station, 5 kW day, 20 watts night. DA same day and nite, has broad pattern peaking at about 340 degrees, not toward SF, nulls to SSW and SE approximately, from site SE of LV. IIRC this station once tried to get

a co-channel repeater authorized in Albuquerque, but I see no evidence of it in records. It doesn't get much into ABQ directly, blocked by Sandia Mountains, 1450 image, etc. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WSAR test heard in Scotland --- A short recording from around 0604 (remember the flag is pointing to South America at the moment) - "please do not be alarmed"(!), morse and sweep tones.
<http://www.geocities.com/paulcrankshaw/wsartest.wav>
(Paul Crankshaw, Troon, Scotland, March 22, IRCA via DXLD)

** U S A. ABDX Presents the WHTB 1400 Test! Thanks to Jay Rogers:
WHTB 1400-Fall River, MA will conduct its DX test this Sunday [MARCH 29] from 1 to 2 EDT / 0500-0600 GMT (to accommodate European DXers). Reception reports should be sent to the same addresses as WSAR:
WHTB
1 Home St.
Fall River, Ma. 02725
U.S.A.
-or- via e-mail: production@wsar.com
WHTB is 1 kW non-directional mono on 1400 kHz. 73 & good luck! Jay
(via Kevin Redding, IRCA via DXLD)

** U S A. CHANGES AT KCPW 1010 SALT LAKE CITY

This may not be of interest to anyone but Michael Richard in Evanston, but I'll take that chance. KCPW 1010 Tooele/Salt Lake City has changed calls to KPCW, changing programming from 24/7 BBC World Service to a simulcast of public radio KPCW-FM 91.9 Park City UT.

KPCW used to be a sister station to KCPW-FM 88.3 Salt Lake, which owned KCPW 1010; before there was a big to-do over the salary being paid to the stations' founder, who's now departed.

The Salt Lake stations were put up for sale, and the FM ended up being bought by a local community group. The AM was supposed to have gone to a Catholic broadcaster, but it appears that sale didn't close. I don't know whether the AM/FM simulcast is a permanent thing, or if it's just temporary while KPCW seeks another buyer for the AM.

The AM signal is a 50 kW daytime boomer that's heard across most of Utah and into the surrounding states; at night it drops to 194 watts, and I don't ever recall it being reported at any great distance after dark. Maybe they can be talked into a DX test under the new identity... :-)) s (Scott Fybush, NY, March 23, IRCA via DXLD)

** U S A. What is the ID requirement for a Spanish or foreign language station? I know hams have to ID in English (David Hascall, IRCA via

DXLD)

The FCC allows foreign-language stations to ID in their native language. My experience with Spanish-language stations has been about 50/50 - some ID in English, some in Spanish, quite a few in both.

As it gets more exotic, I find English IDs are actually more common, in part because a lot of the other multilingual programming out there is airing as leased time on stations that might broadcast shows in multiple languages during the day.

Multicultural Broadcasting's stations seem to be pretty good about doing an hourly ID in English, no matter what language the shows buying time are using. The Radio Korea stations on the west coast and in Texas seem to ID only in Korean. s (Scott Fybush, NY, *ibid.*)

But Korean doesn't have a Roman alphabet. If they ID with call letters, and surely those at least are required at hourtop, they can't say those in Korean (gh, DXLD)

Scott - Is this a new reg? I thought that foreign language stations had to ID in English at least once per hour around the top of the hour (John Sampson, IRCA via DXLD)

Me also, but this explains why I've heard some ID in their native languages recently (Neil Kazaross, *ibid.*)

It's not set out anywhere in the regs one way or another. The current rules are here: <http://www.hallikainen.com/FccRules/2008/73/1201/>

and they don't specify the language in which the announcement is to be made, which means it's pretty much up to the discretion of the FCC to decide how to enforce it. In past years, the FCC seemed to insist on English; more recently, they don't appear to care one way or another. s (Scott Fybush, *ibid.*)

UNIDENTIFIED. Re 9-025, BRAZIL, 2380: Hi Glenn, Thanks. Certainly worth looking into. You could certainly be right on the mixing product, since I get them from time to time from other local AM's mixing with WWCR (in particular). Hopefully it will be there again to check out! (Mark Taylor, WI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4840, unID R., in unID language, 3/22, 0208-0231. M talk; brief W talk; other M talk with some slow music breaks at times; M / W talk; music breaks and presumed announcements, then continuing talk; one time pip at 0230 and continuing barely audible unclear talk; heard in SSB with fast QSB and strong rustle; increasing QSB from around 0210; poor/almost fair at times; barely audible from 0230; ---

No idea if Latin America (more feasible) or India after sunrise there.
(Giovanni Serra, Rome, Italy, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD) See 4880

UNIDENTIFIED. 4880.80v, unID R., in unID language, 3/11, 0300-0329.
(presumed an Arab regional / Middle East Clandestine R. here; it seems
not SW R Africa as heard on web site <http://www.swradioafrica.com>

After few seconds, frequency shifted from 4880.80 to 4880.75; then
shifting up / down 4880.74 - 4880.72 - 4880.73 etc.; local music, then
continuing to chant with same music; W/M unclear talk between music;
continuing chanting similar to Arabic vocals solo; M talk (unclear at
times); again chanting with music; M talk then presumed W talk; heard
better in LSB with lite QSB and rustle; fair / poor; from about 0323
strong QRM het on both LSB & USB overwhelming this station; from
0324:50 re-checked w/ talk by presumed W & chant at 0326, but audible
in USB only with receiver inter audio filter nulling 100 x 100 the
strong het (Giovanni Serra, Roma, Italy. Equipment: JRC NRD 525; Alpha
Delta DX-SWL Sloper-S; RG 8 mini coaxial cable; JPS NIR 12 Noise &
Interference Reducer-Dual DSP outboard audio filter; Intek PS-35 5
ampere feeder; JRC - NVA 319 external loudspeaker unit; Yaesu YH - 77
STA stereo headphones; Zoom Corp. H2 handy digital recorder MP3 & WAV
files; Oregon Scientific radio controlled clock; Interkart framed wall
board political world map (1: 46,400,000); the DX Edge-Xantek Inc.
(daylight-darkness desk world map), NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. Hello Mr. Hauser, I would be very grateful if you could
provide me with any information on a test transmission I heard on 3-
21-2009 on 6264 or 6265 kHz from 2252 to 2303 UT. The announcer said
he was playing loud rock music for a test transmission. He played
Suzie Quattro singing 48 Crash. SINPO-45444. I was listening on a
Sangean ATS-909 with a 75 foot wire outdoor antenna oriented
north/south. I live in Hyde Park, New York. I checked several pirate
monitoring lists on the web and didn't see this broadcast. I
appreciate your time. Thank you. Sincerely, (Jerry Canaday, KC2UIQ, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

More like Euro than American pirate on that frequency, but not with
such a signal. Not reported in latest FRW; any help? (gh, DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 13935-13960 approx. OTH radar pulses, presumed, March 24
at 1354 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

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Thanks go to Gerald T. Pollard, Raleigh NC, for a generous check in

the mail celebrating vernal equinox, to Glenn Hauser, P O Box 1684,  
Enid OK 73702

#### CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES

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#### 15 VIDEOS ON THE 2009 SWL FEST

have been posted to YouTube by the gentleman who runs the Radio  
Kitchen and Audio Kitchen blogs, which are always an interesting read.  
<http://www.youtube.com/user/kitchenprof> (Mike Barraclough, Letchworth  
Garden City, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SWL FEST VIDEO: <http://www.rfprograms.com/>  
Enjoy, 73s, (Artie Bigley, OH, March 24, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING DRM: see AUSTRALIA; CHILE; ITALY; NEW ZEALAND;  
+++++ POLAND; SRI LANKA; UK

#### RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM

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REGARDING THE DISMEMBERING OF TWO FCC FIELD OFFICES  
[http://earthsignals.com/add\\_CGC/Letters/FCC\\_Field\\_Offices.htm](http://earthsignals.com/add_CGC/Letters/FCC_Field_Offices.htm)

The following article appeared in CGC #895:

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#### DISMEMBERING TWO FCC FIELD OFFICES

Re your comment in CGC #894 that, "It is almost as if the  
FCC's Enforcement Bureau [field operations unit] has shut down..."

It is a verifiable fact that the Pacific Northwest has only  
one field engineer (a Resident Agent in Portland) to cover the  
area formerly covered by the Portland and Seattle District Offices  
with eight engineers and Binh is very overworked and distracted by  
the "cause de jour." Seattle has one non-technical field agent  
and the District Director who is a great lady but not an engineer.

Some of us are hoping that Julius G. will get good advice and  
correct that situation when he takes over.

Philip M. Kane P.E. / Esq  
VP - General Counsel & Engineering Manager  
CSI Telecommunications Inc. - Consulting Engineers  
San Francisco, CA - Beaverton, OR

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In reply, the situation is actually worse than Phil Kane reports. There is only one agent in Portland, and the District Office in Seattle has only the District Director, a non-engineer, and no field agents at all, for a grand total of two people in the Pacific Northwest. They are trying to hire a new Senior Agent for Seattle, but because the Commission won't pay moving expenses, no low level agents from other offices will apply. The FCC is now planning to fill the position with a direct hire from outside the agency. That person will have a serious learning curve and nobody to teach him or her. Other FCC offices are also being decimated by retirements.

Whose fault is it that jobs at the FCC's Enforcement Bureau, which are about the neatest jobs and Electrical Engineer can get, have trouble getting filled? Fault the Bush administration, Michael Powell and Kevin Martin, who refused to pay for staff moves, and otherwise ignored the retirement bubble in the Enforcement Bureau for the last 8 years. An Anonymous FCC Employee, March 2009 (via CGC Communicator March 22 via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

Re: DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT DROPPING POLICE CODE FOR PLAIN ENGLISH  
(Dallas Morning News March 23, via Chris Black, Cape Cod, ABDX)

I don't know it for a fact, but I suspect a lot of the "code" systems came about when monitoring of police frequencies by the public became more popular. Many system are moving to digital, which can only be monitored by the more expensive scanners, and some to encrypted systems that can't be monitored by anyone without an official radio. I suspect the lack of prying ears is as much behind the move back to plain language as anything else.

The codes were never all that effective anyway. Anyone listening in for any time will quickly figure out most of the codes, and they're all posted somewhere on the Internet. It used to crack me up in Orlando. A 10-95 was an incident involving drugs. "95" was synonymous with "drugs" in cop lingo there. You'd hear things like, "Reports of individuals smoking '95' at..." Like anyone listening wouldn't immediately know that '95' meant drugs. And "drugs" is easier to say than "ninety-five" (Jay Heyl, IL, ibid)

That, and the post-9/11 priority that's been placed on improving inter-agency communication. One of the uses for the 700 MHz frequencies being freed up by the DTV transition is to provide more channels that can be accessed by all emergency workers in a region, regardless of whether they're fire, police, EMS or what have you.

And of course that sort of inter-agency communication is impossible if

one agency's "95" is another agency's "40," which is why agencies are being strongly urged to move to plain English for their communications. s (Scott Fybush, ibid.)

#### A CONCERN!

I am somewhat hesitant about posting this. It is not intended to upset anyone. I would rather it be considered constructive, something we can all take to heart because all of us slip at one time or another. I mention it because there are some things that are so basic to the fundamentals of DXing that they do need to be pointed out from time to time.

The subject is reporting our loggings. DXers recognize that when it comes to identifying a station, we often lack total and complete certainty. DXers generally understand that when their identification of a station is not positive, it requires some recognition or warning of that fact when reporting that logging.

Identification often is not an either/or proposition. It is a continuum with completely unidentified at one end of the scale, completely identified at the other. For things that fall somewhere between those extremes, traditional usage has established some modifying terms. Most common among them are presumed, tentative and possible, progressively indicating lesser degrees of certainty. What we usually see is (p), signifying presumed identification. We probably should be using the others more often than we do.

Now, I admit some of this is open to individual interpretation and one man's presumed may be another's definitely identified. The degree of identification certainty can vary from person to person depending on a lot of factors. For instance, if you hear a known IS, you may be able to identify a station while another listener who does not recognize that IS would consider it tentative, possible or perhaps even unidentified.

But, it seems, there are times when things are pushed too far, when logs are wrongly designated (p). Example: When a carrier is detected, either by ear or by a blip on a scope, or a SAH is detected, indicating the presence of a second signal, but no audio at all is heard. Without audio, this is no more a logging than seeing a footprint of a bear in the woods is the same as seeing the bear.

When no audio is noted, it is not appropriate to designate it (p) or a presumed logging. You are presuming from a frequency and nothing more. Among DXers, the common term for this is list logging. In the past, the classic explanation for list logging often has been: "Well, what else could it be?" The equal classic response is: "It could be

anything!"

And while on the subject of reported loggings, it is unfortunate when we see reports which identify languages heard when the listener does not know that language, e.g. Dzhonga or Tigrinya. Those identifications, too, come only from schedules and lists. Instead, we should expect to see something like Dzhonga scheduled at this time, or Tigrinya listed, making it clear that we are simply guessing at the language.

I'm sure those who do this are not knowingly doing something wrong. Perhaps they don't know, or have forgotten in this era when real DX is harder and harder to hear. But we all need to remind ourselves occasionally about some of these longtime DXing standards that we should be following, but sometimes don't. --dnj (Don Jensen, March 23, NASWA yg via DXLD)

``When no audio is noted, it is not appropriate to designate it (p) or a presumed logging. You are presuming from a frequency and nothing more.``

Hi Don. That would be a good point, if one was presuming from frequency only, i.e. "List logging". I feel that with proper observation it is very much possible to report some of these signals with confidence as presumed, or tentative due to many possible clues which may be involved rather than just frequency, the most important being propagational.

Since I have started using SDR receivers, I have reported many carrier only signals that never produced audio. Dawn and dusk at the transmitter enhancement is an excellent indicator, and combined with other observational factors such as frequency, carrier-fade out, drifting characteristics, transmitter 50/60 Hz mains spurs which can all combine for being able to have enough confidence to report a carrier-only signal as a tentative or presumed reception, even without audio.

The new SDR receivers, RFSpace and Perseus in my case, have opened up a whole new world. Spectrum recordings allow for outstanding observational detail in time, frequency and amplitude domains. When I have enough clues to be confident of who the signal is, I will note it presumed. If I don't have enough evidence to produce as much confidence, then I will report as tentative. I feel that one should make a presumed or tentative log of this signal if the report can provide helpful observational details of things such as s/on or s/off times, frequency drift, precise frequency offset, transmitter anomalies, etc. 73, (Brandon Jordan, TN, ibid.)

Brandon, Thanks for your comments. Respectfully, I disagree with your conclusions. I surely agree that there are a number of factors that we as DXers apply to try to determine the identity of a signal. Frequency and propagational factors are among them, but those are also among the most variable and least reliable.

Sunrise/Sunset enhancement is an element, but is only a part of the story, and likely only a modest part of the story. I would refer you to the Bryant/Clark propagational series on propagation in the various issues of PROCEEDINGS for more of the variables.

Drifting of the signal, if significant, consistent and uniquely distinctive, also can be a clue, though usually not a significant one. But drifting of a random nature and at a level measurable mostly at the the thousandths of a kHz level is not especially indicative.

A combination of clues, each individually insufficient, cumulatively does not necessarily rise to a higher level of certainty!

I think it is entirely too easy to be seduced into inadequately supported conclusions by new technology. Enthralled by new equipment, the tendency is to overreach. It is understandable, surely, but I continue to believe we need to be careful about such enthusiasms.. The same tendency arose back when electronic digital readouts replaced the old fashioned tuning dials and sliderule like devices. Frequency readouts to three decimal places suddenly became the fad in reports, as though this somehow bootstrapped the value of the observation.

So, Brandon, while I do understand the points you are making, I do, rather strongly, disagree with your conclusion. While advanced technology does offer many advantages to the DXer, I do not believe it negates some of the standards which have been basic to the hobby for many decades. Obviously, you are entitled to your views. I do stand by my comments, however. dnj (Jensen, ibid.)

Hi Don, Are you objecting to the use of (p)resumed on a reported logging of a signal that does not produce useable audio? What would you say about (t)entative in this case, or do you think that any report of a signal that does not produce audio, no matter the supporting non-audible clues, is spurious and should not be reported at all?

Helpful details can be gleaned from monitoring even sub-threshold signals with a SDR that would otherwise likely not be noted. Please advise how I can share my observations that would be palatable.

Lord knows, after all these years of DXing, the last thing I want is to be labeled a list logger. List logging isn't supposed to take this

much time and effort, hi!

Yes, I am very familiar with those outstanding Proceedings articles by John Bryant, David Clark and others! And although not one of the pro DXers by any means, I do have enough years of tropical band DX experience to know that while the relatively brief dusk/dawn at the transmitter enhancement window is only one element, it is a reliably good element in chasing South American DX at my inland QTH. It has also been reliable in assisting in pinning down likely targets when it comes to South American signals, and to a lesser extent with evening African signals, when the conditions are sub-optimal. The SDR technology that now allows one to study in great detail the frequency and amplitude characteristics of a signal over a lengthy (and recorded) time domain, have only reinforced this observation. 73, (Brandon Jordan, *ibid.*)

Hi Brandon, First, I am not the DX police, nor am I the Supreme Court, setting rules. I was not pointing at you or any particular reporter, for no one (and that includes, most assuredly, me) has never deviated from accepted practice. What is considered good or not so good practice is more or less a hobbywide consensus, reached, voluntarily, by trial and error over many, many years.

The fact that at least a couple of others on the list seemed to find my observations within that unwritten consensus, means, I think, that I am not alone in my views.

Personally, I would consider that one would have to be quite certain of an identity before referring to it as a presumed logging, perhaps 90 percent sure or better. I would want to be perhaps 75 percent sure to consider it a tentative. If I was less sure, I might call it possible. But those numbers are mine and I suspect they might vary somewhat, though not by a lot, if you surveyed a number of DXers.

It would be impossible for me to be 90 percent sure if I didn't even hear any audio. How would I know if the blip on the screen was even a broadcast station. In fact, if my only evidence is based on what I see, not hear, am I even "listening" to the radio?

I would be most comfortable calling it an unidentified carrier on a frequency where xxx operates or operated. Maybe under some circumstances I might be certain enough to refer to it as a tentative, but that likely would be an exception to the rule. . . let us say where station YYY regularly, and consistently, runs markedly off frequency, e.g. V. of Indonesia in the 31 mb. A carrier whose audio is not audible, operating on a known frequency, might well be reported as a possible. I think there is room here for individual interpretation.

But to conclude the identity of a station to a 90+ percentage of certainty without even a scrap of audio has pushed the envelope a bit too far, and I suspect that most DXers -- a consensus -- would agree.

This is not to say that the data you mention -- the measured frequency, where the terminators are located at the time of reception, whether the signal displays a polar flutter, etc. etc. -- is not very useful data. And yes, that data does HELP in the identification process. And, surely, the appearance of a visual display of a carrier is a good indication that on another date, one MIGHT log the station suspected with better results -- audio. It is a tip off to the DXer, and if reported, to others to watch the frequency and time carefully because on another date it could be a presumed logging. Or with a different antenna, with more gain, or less background noise pickup, reception might be possible. So, yes, I certainly believe a carrier only observation is worth reporting... it is a tip off to possible better things. It is just that I believe that it is stretching the envelope to refer to that as a presumed logging.

I don't want to beat this to death, so this is likely my last comment on this subject in this forum. However, I surely would welcome views of others since I do not want to suggest that my comments are the only and last word on the subject. I do believe, though, that I have suggested the outlines of a consensus that has long existed in the hobby. ñdnj (Jensen, ibid.)

I'm not interested in adding to this controversy, but I'll add another way of thinking about how to log one's certainty about stations. Since certainty of identification is important to me in my own practice of DX'ing, I decided to find a way to tell myself how certain I am that a logging is correct. This is strictly my own practice in my own log book (well, spreadsheet), but it does seem to work:

I use a "certainty scale" of 1 - 10 in my own logs. My own practice is not to log anything that doesn't have enough audio to make out solid words (even if I don't know or understand a syllable of the language.)

- 1 indicates that I'm sure that I heard something that sounded like a radio station. No idea what it was.
- 2 - 4 indicates increasing certainty and entries in any of the various lists available (list logging - ug!)
- 5 - 6 indicates that I'm increasingly confident I heard what the list said, but no real confirming evidence.
- 7-8 indicates that I'm quite sure I heard what was listed, but I didn't hear an ID - some confirming evidence.
- 9 indicates that I'm very sure I heard what I think, but I didn't hear an ID (5070 is WWCR at 0200 in English talking about Right?)
- 10 is a certain - heard an ID, right frequency, right time, etc. We have consensus here.



Since I log most of what I hear, I end up with lots of 5 - 8 logs, since they are the routine stuff (like 4799.9 R. Buenas Nuevas, 0040, in Spanish now which will get an 8 based on content, consistency, and my recent listening habits.)

In reporting I would put a 7-9 as (P) or (T) in a report if the station is interesting. A 1 might be an UnId. I don't report stuff in between - too speculative. Not perfect, but it works for me (Mark Taylor Madison, WI, ibid.)

As an editor who frequently finds errors in reports, unwarranted assumptions, or even mistaken identities, I am supremely concerned with accuracy. However, Don seems to be saying that all the additional clues we can get through advancing technology, greatly improved reference material, and sesquidecades of experience with propagation, identifying languages, etc., really don't matter. I reject that idea. Furthermore, if a mistake is made and published, it can be swiftly corrected either by the originator or by others, so what's the loss? We all learn in the process (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

#### POWERLINE COMMUNICATIONS

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#### THE FIGHT TO KEEP SHORTWAVE --- CAN YOU HELP?

Dear shortwave radio users. Our hobby, way of life and maybe career is still under a real and present threat as the PLT industry continues to lobby hard to have shortwave turned over to them for their home networking products!

Please visit the UK's primary 'fight back' web site, check out the news and update pages and maybe join the Yahoo forum.  
<http://www.mikeandsniffy.co.uk/ukqrm>

We can't ignore this threat, CISPR are considering changing the standards in favour of PLT! (Power Line Transmissions) because by and large shortwave listeners don't have much of a voice we are in great danger of being ignored while the ham radio community are already getting some concessions with 'notches' (albeit poor and ineffective)

To start with I need to know how many shortwave listeners there are in the UK? So please if you are a SWL and based in the UK please mail me so I can count up how many of us need defending. Your hobby in your hands; fight for it or lose it. Regards (Mike, <http://www.ukqrm.org> HCDCX via DXLD) It's not just a hobby (gh)

Dear SWL, If you live in the UK and listen to shortwave radio

broadcast bands then you need to consider this! The Power line transmission lobby is both wealthy and powerful and is currently trying to get shortwave turned over to them for their home networking products. If this happens then our hobby will be lost to us.

I am sure most of you know about UKQRM and its fight to save shortwave radio. I am conducting a simple survey to find out just how many UK listeners we have. Based on the result we will know if this fight is winnable. So take a moment and fill in this survey for us all please.

<http://FreeOnlineSurveys.com/rendersurvey.asp?sid=uwd04795hyu6djh567613>

You must be in the UK and listen to broadcast bands. Utility only does not count, of course you will lose this as well if PLT is given free reign of shortwave.

Don't delay answer today, you have until 2nd April to answer after that the survey will be closed. Thanks (Mike <http://www.ukqrm.org>  
The end of world broadcasting? ibid.)

#### PROPAGATION

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One note from recent DX over the past week or so around the Equinox. One of the prime DX windows for Latin stations for me, and to a smaller degree with African and Asians, is the dawn at transmitter enhancement that spans some 15 to 30 minutes around local sunrise at the transmitter. Stations that are nothing more than a weak carrier all night can surge in strength and many times produce remarkable audio. It appears that for a week or two around the Equinox, this enhancement is practically non-existent. I recall noticing this when I was actively DXing back in the Spring of 2007, and I now notice the same thing this past week (Brandon Jordan - Memphis, TN, USA, March 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) In this issue, see logs under BRAZIL, GUATEMALA, MEXICO

Geomagnetic field activity was at predominantly quiet levels from 16 March to mid-day on 20 March. During this time, ACE solar wind velocities gradually decreased from 473 km/s to a minimum of 271 km/s at 19/1947 UTC. The interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) Bz ranged between -4 nT and + 5 nT. Activity increased at mid-day on 20 March, as a recurrent coronal hole rotated into a geoeffective position. Quiet to unsettled conditions were observed at mid-latitudes through early on 22 March. Major storm periods were observed at high latitudes on 21/09 - 15 UTC. During this period, ACE solar wind velocities increased to a maximum of 472 km/s at 22/0550 UTC. The IMF Bt increased to a maximum of +12 nT, and Bz reached a minimum of -9 nT at 21/0928 UTC.

# FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 25 MARCH - 20 APRIL 2009

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels. No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit. The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to increase to high levels during 10-14 April. Normal flux levels are expected during the rest of the period. Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at predominantly quiet levels through 08 April. Activity is expected to increase to unsettled to active levels during 09 - 10 April, with a chance for minor storm periods at high latitudes due to a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream. Mostly quiet activity is expected for the rest of the period.

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:Issued: 2009 Mar 24 2222 UTC

# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center

# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web

# <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwire.html>

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# 27-day Space Weather Outlook Table

# Issued 2009 Mar 24

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| 2009 Mar 26 | 70         | 8         | 3        |
| 2009 Mar 27 | 70         | 5         | 2        |
| 2009 Mar 28 | 70         | 5         | 2        |
| 2009 Mar 29 | 70         | 5         | 2        |
| 2009 Mar 30 | 70         | 5         | 2        |
| 2009 Mar 31 | 70         | 5         | 2        |
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| 2009 Apr 19 | 70 | 5 | 2 |
| 2009 Apr 20 | 70 | 5 | 2 |

(SWPC March 24 via WORLD OF RADIO 1453, DXLD) ###